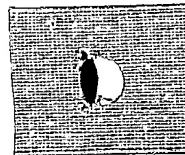


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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-5793

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA, . AR. DAILY SUMMARY

ROBERT DE BOLT ONE OF FOUR COMMISSIONERS FOR CITY OF CHICAGO HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS, ADVISED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL WANTED TO DISCHARGE BOTH THE FIRE AND POLICE CHIEFS, HOWEVER, THE COMMISSIONER HAVING THAT AUTHORITY REFUSED TO DO SO. THIS COMMISSIONER HAS BEEN DROPPED FROM THE REPUBLICAN PARTY ELECTION SLATE FOR THE APRIL MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS. DE BOLT STATES THAT HE HAS HEARD RUMORS THAT SEVERAL CHICAGO HEIGHTS POLICE OFFICERS HAVE PROSTITUTES WORKING FOR THEM AND EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO QUOTE CLEAN UP UNQUOTE THE CITY.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-5793/

FROM SAC, CHICAGO /92-920/

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA., AR, DAILY SUMMARY.

SUBJECT CAUSED DISTURBANCE AT THE APARTMENT OF HIS PARAMOUR

[REDACTED] RIVERDALE, ILL. SUBJECT-S NEPHEW FRANK LUZI IN CONTACT

WITH [REDACTED] AND ATTEMPTING TO SETTLE THE DISAGREEMENT. AS SUBJECT

INDICATED HE STILL WANTS [REDACTED] TO BE QUOTE HIS GIRL UNQUOTE. [REDACTED]

FROM AVAILABLE INFORMATION WOULD NOT BE COOPERATIVE IN AN INTERVIEW.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-5793

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA, . AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

SUBJECT-S NEPHEW, FRANK LUZI, CONTACTED SUBJECT-S PARAMOUR AND
APPARENTLY ARRANGED A RECONCILIATION. ☐ STATED TO

LOCAL POLICE THAT NEXT TIME SUBJECT ANNOYED HER SHE WOULD SIGN
A COMPLAINT FOR HIS ARREST.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)

DATE: 1/21/63

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)

SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, aka
AR

Re Bureau airtel dated 1/15/63.

Please find enclosed five copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting information regarding certain officers of the Chicago Heights Police Department.

The source referred to in the first paragraph of the memorandum is Sergeant [redacted] Chicago Heights Police Department. He furnished the information with the understanding that his identity would be kept confidential. He feels that he and any other police officers who might furnish information to the FBI regarding the "outfit" or any other information that could prove embarrassing to the department would be immediately assigned to the most unpleasant duties of the Chicago Heights Police Department.

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Previous information from various sources has indicated that Officer [redacted] is a close associate of Top Hoodlum FRANK LA PORTE and under his domination. It is also noted that [redacted] recently visited LA PORTE while a patient at the St. James Hospital in Chicago Heights, and was overheard offering his services to LA PORTE.

Information in the memo indicates no basis for a WSTA or ITAR investigation.

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JAN 24 1963

1cc cover memo & encl. in 1531
2cc to Bureau
Bureau 2/1/63
Mr. Putz
Mr. [unclear]
Mrs. [unclear]



In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 92-920

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois

January 21, 1963

LOUIS PRATICO;
ALFRED QUIEROLI;
(FNU) NARDONI;
ALBERT PASCARELLA

A confidential source on January 11, 1963, advised that four officers of the Chicago Heights, Illinois Police Department are presently prostituting local females in that city. The officers involved are [REDACTED]

According to the source, these four officers have arranged it so that at least one of them is on each of the three daily shifts, and that they be notified of any trouble the females become involved in. Two of the females reportedly work out of the Palace Lounge in Chicago Heights. On one occasion an unknown complainant reported an incident involving one of the girls. Later a police officer contacted this complainant and stated that investigation indicated he had made a false allegation and the female would not be prosecuted. This source does not know the identity of the officer or the complainant. On another occasion Officer [REDACTED] reportedly took an unknown farmer from Beecher, Illinois, to one of the girls. The farmer was fed "knock-out drops" and robbed of an unknown amount of money. When he complained to the Police Department he was subsequently contacted by [REDACTED] and told that the female had nothing to do with his trouble.

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The source stated that approximately 18 months ago an unknown Hungarian refugee came to the Chicago Heights Police to complain that Officer [REDACTED] was procuring

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prostitution dates for his wife. The source stated that the matter was "killed" without investigation.

[redacted] Attorney-at-Law, [redacted]
[redacted] Chicago Heights, advised that an unnamed friend or associate of his had been in the Liberty Restaurant in Chicago Heights at 2:00 a.m. when a police squad car drove up, honked its horn, and one of several girls waved, got up from a booth, walked out and entered the squad, and it drove away. The girl did not return by the time this individual left the restaurant. [redacted] stated that he believed this situation occurred on several occasions. His friend could not state the purpose of such acts but was of the impression that the girl was probably a prostitute.

[redacted] Chicago Heights, Illinois, advised that he married [redacted] also known as [redacted] of Monee, Illinois. He later determined that she was of questionable morals and obtained a divorce. He advised that Officer [redacted] of the Chicago Heights Police Department started going with her, and he was later told by his ex-wife that she and four other unknown girls from Monee, Illinois, were working as prostitutes for [redacted] in a motel near New Lenox, Illinois. [redacted] was unable to furnish any information regarding his ex-wife's present whereabouts. He requested that under no circumstances should his identity be brought to the attention of the Chicago Heights Police Department. He feared that reprisals might be made against him. [redacted] is a German National who is in the United States on a special visa to work as a tool and dye maker for the Ford Motor Company. He has since remarried.

Robert De Bolt, an elected Municipal Commissioner for Chicago Heights, was advised by FBI Agents in the course of a general conversation on January 16, 1963, that possibly four police officers were procuring for prostitutes. De Bolt replied, "You are behind times, I know of six that are pimps." He did not elaborate on this statement nor did he request the identities of any of the officers who might be involved.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-5793

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR DAILY SUMMARY

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT SUBJECT-S
GAMBLING LIEUTENANT, GEORGE TUFFENELLI, BLUE ISLAND,
ILLINOIS, IS REPORTED TO BE IN CALIFORNIA LOOKING INTO
NEW BUSINESS PROSPECTS FOR THE SUBJECT. INQUIRY REFLECTS
SEVERAL OF TUFFENELLI-S FORMER SLOT MACHINE REPAIRMEN
HAVE MOVED TO CALIFORNIA AND ARE WORKING FOR THE ABC
VENDING COMPANY, LOS ANGELES.

LOS ANGELES ADVISED.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-5793

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. DAILY SUMMARY

[REDACTED]

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RUBINO, BONDSMAN, DIXMOOR, ILLINOIS, WHO IS ALLEGEDLY
IN COMPETITION WITH THE SUBJECT-S NEPHEW, FRANK
LUZI, IS A FREQUENT VISITOR TO THE DIXIE GOVERNOR
HOTEL, HAZEL CREST, ILLINOIS, AND IS SUPPOSEDLY
OFFERING QUOTE JUICE END QUOTE MONEY TO THE PRESENT
OWNERS SO THEY CAN AVOID BANKRUPTCY.

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To: SACs, Chicago (92-920)
Springfield

From: Director, FBI (92-5793)

FRANK LA PORTE, aka
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Reurtels 1/14/63 and 1/17/63 and Buairtel 1/16/63.

Referenced communications pertain to information furnished by a Chicago Heights police officer who stated he has personal knowledge that four Chicago Heights policemen have prostitutes working for them.

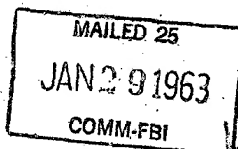
Chicago should promptly furnish the details of this allegation to the Bureau and Springfield in order that it may be furnished to the Attorney General of the State of Illinois.

Springfield should afford this matter prompt attention and advise the Bureau when appropriate dissemination has been made.

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NOTE: See Evans to Belmont memo dated 1/16/63 captioned, "Law Enforcement and Political Corruption, Criminal Intelligence Program." CLG:JFM:erw:djm.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-5793/

FROM SAC, CHICAGO /92-920/ /1P/
FRANK LA PORTE, AKA., AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

A FORMER CI ADVISED THAT THE QUOTE BIG GAME UNQUOTE
IN CHICAGO IS NOW BEING OPERATED BY THE SUBJECT-S LIEUTENANT
JOE GUSSINO, OF CALUMET CITY. A PATRON GOES TO THE TOMMYHAWK
A. C. PAREN PHONETIC ENPAREN ON WENTWORTH AVENUE NEAR
TWENTIETH STREET, QUOTE IF YOU ARE OKAY UNQUOTE A DRIVER WILL
TAKE YOU TO A ROOM WHERE THE GAMBLING IS CONDUCTED. THE
LOCATION OF THE GAME CHANGES FREQUENTLY.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-5793/

FROM SAC, CHICAGO /92-920/

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

① [REDACTED] IDENTIFIED AS SALESWOMAN FOR F. AND R. DISTRIBUTORS,
A COMPANY IN WHICH SUBJECT BELIEVED TO HAVE A HIDDEN INTEREST.

[REDACTED] HAS ILLINOIS DRIVERS LICENSE G DASH TWO ZERO ZERO DASH ONE SIX
ZERO THREE DASH THREE NINE THREE SIX, DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE.

SPRINGFIELD REQUESTED TO REVIEW APPROPRIATE LICENSE BUREAU AND
FURNISH ALL INFORMATION TO CHICAGO. AMSD SPRINGFIELD.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-5793/

FROM SAC, CHICAGO /82-920/ 1 P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA., AR, DAILY SUMMARY.

CHICAGO SOURCE ADVISED THAT AT LEAST TWENTY SLOT MACHINES OPERATING AT THE AMERICAN LEGION CLUB, CALUMET CITY.

CHIEF OF POLICE WHO HAS BEEN VERY COOPERATIVE IN THE PAST WAS CONTACTED AND ADVISED THAT THE REFORM MAYOR HAS FORBID HIM TO RAID ANY OF THE QUOTE VETERAN CLUBS UNQUOTE. THE MACHINES ARE OWNED BY THE CLUBS AND ARE NOT SERVICED OR HANDLED BY THE SUBJECT AND ASSOCIATES.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-5793/

FROM SAC, CHICAGO /92-920/

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA., AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

THE F AND R DISTRIBUTORS OPENED A BANK ACCOUNT AT THE OLYMPIA
PLAZA BANK, CHICAGO HEIGHTS. OFFICERS ARE PRESIDENT.,

FRANK LUZI, SECRETARY, BOTH PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED, AND LISTED NEW
ADDRESSES ON NORTH SIDE OF CHICAGO. CHECKS WRITTEN AND DEPOSITED
TO THIS ACCOUNT WILL BE MONITORED.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-5793

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

IT WAS PREVIOUSLY NOTED THAT ALEX SORENTINO WAS
MURDERED IN CHICAGO HEIGHTS IN GANGLAND FASHION. HIS
FORMER PARAMOUR, [REDACTED] WAS LOCATED. SHE DENIED
ALL KNOWLEDGE OF SUBJECT-S ASSOCIATION WITH SYNDICATE AND
INDICATED THAT BECAUSE OF FEAR FOR HER OWN SAFETY SHE
COULD FURNISH NO INFORMATION REGARDING ANY OF SORENTINO-S
ACTIVITIES.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-5793

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA, AR, DAILY SUMMARY

LANSING, ILLINOIS POLICE OFFICER ADVISED

BONDSMAN FOR SUBJECT-S NEPHEW, RECENTLY STATED THAT BONDING
COMPANY IS CONSIDERING GOING OUT OF BUSINESS BECAUSE OF ALL

THE QUOTE HEAT ENQUOTE ON SUBJECT AND HIS ASSOCIATES,. HOWEVER,

HE REQUESTED THAT POSSIBLE BOND SUBJECTS TO

HIM AND INDICATED HE WOULD BE TAKEN CARE OF.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-5793

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA, . AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

WHO HAS BEEN USED AS NOMINEE IN REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS BY CHICAGO HOODLUMS, HAD HIS HOME BURGLARIZED. HE IS NOT COOPERATIVE WITH POLICE AND THEY FEEL THAT BURGLARY WAS A WARNING BY HOODLUMS FOR TO STAY QUOTE IN LINE UNQUOTE. PRESENTLY IN ARIZONA, UNKNOWN ADDRESS.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-5793/

FROM SAC, CHICAGO /92-920/

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA, AR, DAILY SUMMARY.

ON FEB. NINE LAST A SYNDICATE GAMBLING OPERATION,
THE TALLY HO CLUB, BURNHAM, ILLINOIS, RAIDED BY STATES
ATTORNEY-S POLICE. TONY FRANZE, SUBJECT-S BROTHER IN LAW,
AND THIRTEEN OTHERS ARRESTED AS KEEPERS. ATTEMPTED INTERVIEW
OF FRANZE BY BUREAU AGENTS AFTER LOCAL RAID NEGATIVE. CRAP TABLES, 202

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WHEEL, POKER TABLES AND OTHER PARAPHERNALIA CONFISCATED OR

DESTROYED BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

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Date: 1-31-63

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plain text or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)
SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-473))RUC)

RE: FRANK LA PORTE, aka
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Re Buairtel, 1-29-63.

For the information of the Bureau, State Attorney General WILLIAM G. CLARK maintains a complete office in Chicago and most of his time in his Chicago office. He is in Springfield only occasionally.

Chicago should furnish the information directly to the Attorney General of the State of Illinois at his Chicago Office rather than forwarding same to Springfield. This will expedite this matter considerably.

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Special Agent in Charge

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, Chicago (92-920)
FROM: Director, FBI (92-5793)

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FRANK LA PORTE, aka.

Re Springfield airtel 1/31/63.

Chicago promptly advise when dissemination to Illinois State Attorney General has been made.

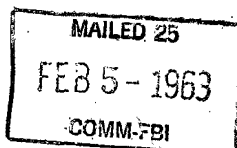
1 - Springfield (92-473)

NOTE: Chicago submitted a letterhead memo containing information that four officers of the Chicago Heights, Illinois, Police Department were engaged in prostitution./ Dissemination to the Attorney General for the State of Illinois has been approved and Springfield advises that the State Attorney General William G. Clark, maintains an office in Chicago where he spends most of his time and recommends that Chicago make dissemination directly to him at that city.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)

del FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)

FRANK LA PORTE, aka.
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Approved: [Signature]

Special Agent in Charge

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-5793/

FROM SAC, CHICAGO /92-920/

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

HOMWOOD, ILLINOIS POLICE ADVISE THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED TWO
TELEPHONE CALLS REGARDING A DEAD BODY AT THE HOME OF GUS RABINO.

RABINO IS A WELL KNOWN HOODLUM WHOSE BROTHER VINCE WAS RECENTLY HIT
WITH A SHOTGUN BLAST. POLICE SPECULATE THAT THREATENING CALLS ARE A
RESULT OF THE TROUBLE BETWEEN RABINO AND FRANK LUZI, REPHEN OF
SUBJECT, OVER THEIR BONDING BUSINESSES.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (92-302) (RUC)

SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE aka.
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Physical surveillances, contact with sources, and other investigation at Linden, California, fails to develop any indication Subject has returned to Linden area.

San Francisco will be alert for any information indicating Subject's arrival in Linden area.

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FEB 18 1963

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FROM SAC, CHICAGO /92-920/

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA, AR, DAILY SUMMARY.

INTERVIEW OF ALL FOURTEEN KEEPERS OF GAMBLING GAME AT TALLY HO CLUB, BURNHAM, ILLINOIS, WHICH WAS RAIDED ON FEBRUARY NINE LAST, WERE NEGATIVE CONCERNING SUBJECT-S OWNERSHIP OR PARTICIPATION IN THE GAME.

INFORMANTS BEING CONTACTED IN ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE LOCATION OF NEW GAME AND SOURCE OF NEEDED OR ADDITIONAL NEW EQUIPMENT.

SUBJECT OBSERVED IN CHICAGO HEIGHTS AREA SUBSEQUENT TO GAMBLING

RAID.

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FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA, AR, DAILY SUMMARY.

AT RECENT TALLY HO SYNDICATE GAMBLING RAID, KEEPERS
WERE PLACED ON ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR BONDS, WHICH WERE OFFERED
BY SUBJECT-S NEPHEW, FRANK LUZI. REVIEW OF ALL PATRONS
ARRESTED REFLECTS THAT ONE RESIDES IN STATE OF INDIANA.
HE WILL BE INTERVIEWED IN AN EFFORT TO ESTABLISH IF SUBJECT
IS PARTICIPATING IN VIOLATION OF FEDERAL GAMBLING LAWS.

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| Mr. DeLoach | |
| Mr. Mohr | |
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FROM SAC, CHICAGO /92-920/

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

THE F AND R DISTRIBUTING, INCORPORATED, WHICH
INFORMANTS ALLEGE IS OWNED BY SUBJECT HAS BEEN INCORPORATED
BY FRANK LUZI, [REDACTED] IDENTITY
UNKNOWN, FOR ONE THOUSAND SHARES OF COMMON STOCK TO DO
BUSINESS AS A MERCHANDISER. THE CORRESPONDENT FOR THE
CORPORATION IS [REDACTED]
CHICAGO, IDENTITY UNKNOWN.
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FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA, . AR, DAILY SUMMARY

OWNER OF CHICAGO MACARONI PRODUCTS,

KNOWN CLOSE SOCIAL ACQUAINTANCE OF SUBJECT AND

HOODLUM ATTORNEY, CHICAGO, HEIGHTS, HAVE INCORPORATED

A NEW CEMENT READY MIX COMPANY AT FLOSSMOOR,

ILLINOIS, HOME. INQUIRY BEING CONDUCTED TO DETERMINE IF

SUBJECT IS CONNECTION IN THIS BUSINESS VENTURE.

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FROM SAC, CHICAGO /92-920/ /1P/

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

SUBJECTS NEPHEW FRANK LUZI FLEW TO MIAMI, FLORDIA, APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS AGO. INDICATED THE PURPOSE OF HIS TRIP WAS PERSONAL AND TOLD CHICAGO SOURCE THAT IT HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH HIS UNCLE OR WITH HIS BONDING BUSINESS. SOURCE ATTEMPTED TO DISCREETLY DETERMINE WHERE LUZI STAYS DURING HIS FAIRLY FREQUENT TRIPS TO FLORDIA.

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FROM SAC CHICAGO 92-920 1 P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

[REDACTED] BONDSMAN AND EMPLOYEE OF SUBJECTS

NEPHEW FRANK LUZI, REPORTEDLY HAD A BITTER ARGUMENT WITH
LUZI AND IS NO LONGER ASSOCIATED WITH HIM. [REDACTED]

IS PRESENTLY EMPLOYED AS A QUOTE COLLECTOR UNQUOTE FOR AN
UNKNOWN COMPANY IN CICERO, ILLINOIS. IN VIEW OF ABOVE

DISAGREEMENT [REDACTED] WILL BE INTERVIEWED WHEN LOCATED.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-5793/

FROM SAC, CHICAGO /92-920/

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR DAILY SUMMARY

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT ON FEBRUARY
THIRTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE, A FRANK LA PORTE GAVE A
CHattel MORTGAGE TO THE MAR DASH LO FINANCE CORPORATION,
ONE EIGHTY NORTH WABASH, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. THE COLLATERAL
WAS LISTED AS QUOTE THE EQUIPMENT UNQUOTE. NO OTHER INFORMATION
AVAILABLE. INVESTIGATION OF MAR DASH LO FINANCE BEING CONDUCTED.

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| REPORTING OFFICE CHICAGO | OFFICE OF ORIGIN CHICAGO | DATE 2/5/63 | INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 1/5 - 2/8/63 |
| TITLE OF CASE FRANK LA PORTE, aka | | REPORT MADE BY THOMAS W. PARRISH | TYPED BY mhh |
| | | CHARACTER OF CASE AR | |

REFERENCES: Report of SA THOMAS W. PARRISH dated 1/16/63.
Daily summary teletypes to the Bureau.

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ENCLOSURESTO THE BUREAU

Two (2) copies of a letterhead memorandum regarding characterizations of informants.

LEADSINDIANAPOLIS

AT HAMMOND, INDIANA. 1. Will contact officials of the Calumet National Bank and determine if LA PORTE, Cape Cod, The Tally Ho, The Hub or The Owl Club maintain accounts at this institution. If so, will review all records and furnish pertinent information to Chicago.

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| APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i> | SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW | |
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2. Will contact officials to determine how their money wrappers, which are unused and contained in what would appear to be the original carton, could have come into the possession of the gambling operators at the Tally Ho Club.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to investigate the subject's activities and background.

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INFORMANTS

Informant

CG T-1 is

CG T-2 is

Supervisor,
Internal Revenue Service,
Chicago

CG T-3 is AUSA PAUL
WALSCH, Chicago

CG T-4 is

CG T-5 is

CG T-6 is

CG T-7 is PCI

CG T-8 is
Chicago Heights Police
Department

Contacting Agent

SA THOMAS W. PARRISH

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA THOMAS W. PARRISH
Date: 3/5/63

Office: CHICAGO

Field Office File No.: 92-920

Bureau File No.: 92-5793

Title: FRANK LA PORTE

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

[redacted] Riverdale, Illinois, complained to Riverdale Police that subject has a key to her apartment and often appears at the apartment without notice. On 2/20/63 subject made a nuisance of himself at her apartment. She refused to sign a complaint for his arrest. On recontact she appeared uncooperative with police and has apparently been reconciled with the subject. Partnership tax returns for Cooperative Music Company set forth. Tax returns for subject's business associates, [redacted] reported. Subject's brother-in-law, ANTHONY "TONY" FRANZE, arrested as a keeper in gambling raid at the Tally Ho Club, Burnham, Illinois, by Cook County States Attorneys Police.

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DETAILS:

RESIDENCE

Sergeant [] Cook County Sheriff's Police, advised on February 1, 1963, that he had learned from an unrecalled source that a priest from the Homewood, Illinois parish recently drove his automobile into the subject's driveway during the late evening hours. The grounds immediately became brilliantly lit and before the priest was able to exit from his automobile two big "goons" appeared and demanded to know his purpose in trespassing on the subject's property. [] stated that from his conversations with this unnamed priest it is apparent that subject's residence at 1730 Cambridge Road, Flossmoor, Illinois, is connected electrically to prevent any non-authorized persons from trespassing on his property.

ASSOCIATES

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[]
Riverdale, Illinois

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Sergeant [] Riverdale, Illinois Police Department, advised on January 21, 1963, that he answered a call regarding an attempted break-in to a woman's apartment. When he arrived at the apartment he discovered FRANK LA PORTE standing outside the apartment rented to []. They appeared to be arguing. [] requested [] to let he and LA PORTE inside in order that the argument could be resolved. It was obvious to [] that both of them had been drinking, although neither appeared to be "drunk." [] complained that LA PORTE had a key to her apartment and that he was getting too "bossy." She stated that she comes home after being out and often finds him sitting in her apartment. At this point LA PORTE loudly complained and demanded the keys to his home because he would not be able to get into his house without them. [] denied that he had left the keys

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in her apartment and that she knew nothing concerning them. She refused to sign a complaint against the subject and he was allowed to leave the premises. [redacted] observed that he was driving a 1963 bronze Buick. He was unable to obtain the license number. After LA PORTE left [redacted] admitted to [redacted] that she had the keys which the subject wanted and agreed to give them to [redacted] so that he could return them to LA PORTE. She said that she would not tell anyone about the keys, and that she would like [redacted] to either throw them away or return them to the subject stating that he had found them outside her apartment.

Later that same evening [redacted] received a telephone call at his home. The caller identified himself as FRANK LUZI, who stated that he had talked with [redacted] who informed him that she had given LA PORTE's keys to [redacted] and that he, LUZI, would pick them up the following morning. [redacted] stated he recontacted [redacted] but she would not furnish any information to him regarding the subject and it was his opinion that since LUZI's contact with her the difficulty between [redacted] and LA PORTE had been solved and they are again on friendly terms.

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[redacted]
Olympia Fields, Illinois

Chief JEROME STEVENSON, Olympia Fields Police Department, advised on January 12, 1963, that [redacted] residence had been burglarized on January 11, 1963. He described [redacted] as a "fringe" associate of the subject and other leading Chicago hoodlums. According to preliminary reports the burglary resulted in approximately \$3,900.00 of merchandise being taken. [redacted] advised that part of the loss consisted of a gun collection which he valued very highly; however, [redacted] has refused to list any of the missing guns or where they were obtained. [redacted]

Flossmoor, Illinois, advised that she is the sister-in-law of [redacted] and admitted that [redacted] is very friendly with MANNY SKAR, who is known to be a close associate of Chicago hoodlums. She stated that [redacted] main business income is from construction; however, she was not willing to state the type of construction or where his business offices are maintained. She did advise that [redacted] was in the State of Arizona during the burglary. Subsequent investigation reflects that [redacted] is presently residing at [redacted] Tucson, Arizona, telephone 296-0520.

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On February 3, 1963, Chief STEVENSON advised that he had recently received a list of missing property from the [redacted] burglary; however only one shotgun was listed as missing. He advised that throughout the entire incident SCOTT has been rather uncooperative and it is his opinion that the burglary was either caused by [redacted] himself or else it was a warning to [redacted] from his hoodlum associates that he should cooperate more with them.

[redacted]
Chicago Heights, Illinois

[redacted] Account Man, Mitchell Hutchins Stockbrokers, Chicago Heights, Illinois, advised on January 15, 1963, that [redacted] spends considerable time observing the stock markets at [redacted] place of business. He has an active account with this firm. In recent conversation

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[] advised [] that he had recently settled his income tax troubles with the Federal Government for \$27,000.00. [] appeared pleased that he was able to obtain such a settlement.

CG T-1 advised that [] is presently operating the Flamingo Club at []. Informant stated he understands that at least three prostitutes operate from this address with permission of the owners. [] is usually at the club on weekends.

GEORGE BAZE TUFFENILLI
113th and Bell
Chicago, Illinois

CG T-1 advised that TUFFENILLI is the lieutenant who handles all gambling operations for the subject in the Blue Island, Illinois area. Informant advised that Doctor [] the superintendent of the Oak Forest Hospital and the brother of [] President of the Sanitary District, and the new under sheriff for [] were formerly involved as partners in the purchase of real estate near O'Hare Field. Informant advised that this appears unusual in view of the fact that the under sheriff is publically opposed to [] and his policies in the Metropolitan Sanitary District. Informant stated that [] is a friend of BAZE TUFFENILLI.

Informant advised that TUFFENILLI has moved to the State of California. Rumor is that he is attempting to establish new business connections for himself and the subject. Credence to this rumor is supplied in view of the fact that several of TUFFENILLI's former slot machine repairmen have left the Chicago area and are presently working for the ABC Vending Company, Exhibition Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. They reportedly make frequent trips between Los Angeles and Las Vegas, Nevada, to service slot machines in that area.

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Informant further advised that the Dixie Governor Hotel in Hazelcrest, Illinois, is presently having financial difficulties and the rumor is that LA PORTE or his associates intend to "move in" and refinance for the present owners. He advised that he was unable to obtain any positive information which would verify the rumor.

CG T-1 advised that [redacted] is BABE TUFFENILLI's chief lieutenant in Blue Island, Illinois. [redacted] has recently opened a new business known as the AAA Demolition Engineers, Inc., at 12621 Artesian Avenue, Blue Island, Illinois. The business is described as organized for the wrecking, demolition and moving of commercial, residential and all types of structures and appurtenances. The corporation was organized with 1,000 shares of class one stock, par value \$100.00. The officers are [redacted]. The correspondent is listed as Roche, Schois and Moacin, 11111 South Spaulding Avenue, Chicago 55, Illinois. [redacted] resides at [redacted] Chicago, Illinois.

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The following individuals and businesses were contacted from the subject's telephone when he was a patient at the St. James Hospital, Chicago Heights, Illinois, from December 2 to December 31, 1962:

[redacted]
Flossmoor, Illinois

[redacted]
Riverdale, Illinois

MI 2-2100
B. Weinstein, Inc.
731 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

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OL 2-6620
Town Hotel
4827 Cermak
Cicero, Illinois, bill to
[redacted] and
[redacted] above
address

BI 2-1667
Shipley Motor Sales
2 North Des Plaines
Joliet, Illinois

EV 2-2300
World Wide Distributors
2732 West Fullerton
Chicago, Illinois

[redacted]
Chicago, Illinois
Noted that SA 2 is also a
Joliet, Illinois number

CO 4-9483
Selans System of Beauty
Culture, Inc.
11455 South Michigan
Chicago, Illinois

SA 7-3751
Cooperative Music Company
of Will County
2 North Des Plaines
Joliet, Illinois, bill to
FRANK FRANZE
1728 Halsted
Chicago Heights, Illinois

[redacted]
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MA 6-4300
Loretto Hospital
645 South Central Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

WE 9-3429
Barron Anderson Company
14 East Jackson
Chicago, Illinois

CA 6-3132
Chicago Macaroni and Food
Products Company
917 West 21st Street
Chicago, Illinois

798-7000
Dixie Governor Motel
East Hazelcrest, Illinois

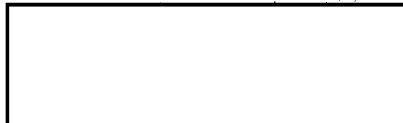


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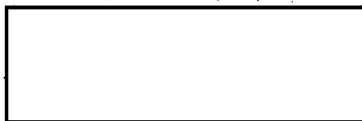
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Police Department
Calumet City, Illinois



Joliet, Illinois



Chicago, Illinois



Homewood, Illinois

LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

Chief CASEMIR LINKIEWICZ, Calumet City, Illinois Police Department, advised that the records of his department reflect that the new licensee for the Oaks Motel in the 700 block of Torrence Avenue is in the name of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois. The true owners of the property are hidden in view of the fact that title to the real estate is listed as a trust which is held by the LaSalle National Bank, Trust Number 29760, as trustee. It is noted that [REDACTED]

Referral/Direct

[REDACTED] which is stated more fully hereafter.

[REDACTED] Secretary, Chicago Heights Construction Company, 1306 South Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, advised on January 25, 1963, that AL PILOTTO has not worked for this company since the end of World War II. He advised that his records go back no further than this. [REDACTED] stated that PILOTTO's father did work for the company prior to World War II as a mason; however [REDACTED] has no personal knowledge of AL PILOTTO being employed under his father. He advised that CLARE MURPHY, the present postmaster of Chicago Heights, was employed by the company as a foreman for a short period of time; however the exact dates of employment were unknown to him.

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On February 5, 1963, JOSEPH BARRETT, SR., 325 West Exchange Street, Crete, Illinois, driving a 1962 Cadillac, Kentucky license 433536 was observed at the Olympia Lanes Bowling Alley in Chicago Heights. He was in the company of [REDACTED] who resides at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Crete, Illinois, [REDACTED] and three other individuals whose identities are unknown. BARRETT is the owner of the J B Resort at Spotsville, Kentucky. He is the former owner and operator of several houses of prostitution in the

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South Cook County area. [redacted] is the present owner of the Vagabond Lounge in Chicago Heights. This lounge is located in the Thomas Hotel and is alleged to be a meeting place for hoodlums and prostitutes operating in the Chicago Heights area.

On February 5, 1963, an automobile was observed at the home of THEODORE BARTUSIEWICZ, brother-in-law of the subject. This automobile is registered to GENE TALLARICO, 13000 Wood, Homewood, Illinois. TALLARICO is believed to be the brother of DOMINICK TALLARICO who has been associated in business ventures with the subject in the Royal Novelty Company, the City Liquors in Calumet City, Illinois.

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The F&R Distributors, Inc., 2706 Chicago Road, South Chicago Heights, Illinois, was incorporated on January 10, 1963, for 1,000 shares of common stock. The incorporators were listed as FRANK LUZI, [redacted]

[redacted] The purpose of the corporation was to buy, sell, distribute and in every way deal in merchandise of any sort, any make and type, to hold title to, buy, assign, pledge, mortgage or in any other way utilize retail with personal property or real estate. The correspondent for this corporation was listed as [redacted]

Chicago, Illinois. CG T-1 advised that the F&R Distributing Company opened account number 40-937-5 at the Olympia Plaza State Bank in Chicago Heights, Illinois. The initial deposit was for \$127.00. The addresses were listed as 2706 Chicago Road and 1162 West Grand Avenue, Chicago. The records reflect that the company did business with the Airdrome Lounge and the Flame Restaurant. No other addresses were given. The company telephones were listed as MO 6-5636 and Skyline 4-2320. It is believed that the MO 6 number is assigned to the Nitti Travel Agency in Chicago. It should be noted that at the time this account was opened LUZI was accompanied by an individual described

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as age 50, 5' 9" tall, stocky build and driving a car with Ohio license plates. Informant was unable to obtain any other description. [redacted] Roseland Buick Company, 103th and Michigan, Chicago, Illinois, advised that he recently sold an automobile to [redacted] who described herself as a saleswoman for the F&R Distributors. She has Illinois license number 3-200-1603-3936 and was born November 26, 1933. YOUNG stated it is his opinion that she is a girl friend of [redacted] who is a partner in the F&R Company. Additional investigation indicates that [redacted] resides at [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, and **she** sells powdered fruit juices to various bars and taverns.

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By communication dated February 4, 1963, the St. Louis office advised that the telephone number which made credit inquiry regarding the F&R Company is subscribed to by the Allen Foods, Inc.

On January 23, 1963, [redacted] President of Allen Foods, Inc., 4555 Gustine Avenue, St. Louis, was interviewed at his office by SA ROBERT L. BENDER. [redacted] stated that his company has filled two orders with the F&R Distributing Company of Chicago Heights, Illinois, who purchases lemon and orange granules from them. He stated that the F&R Distributing Company acts as distributor of these products, which are utilized in making orange and lemon drinks. He stated that they are in no way connected with his company, other than as customers. He stated he knew nothing about the company and that actually there was no risk involved in selling to this company without a great deal of background knowledge with regards to this particular product. He stated that as he recalls, the F&R Distributing Company's first order was approximately \$2,000.00 and the second was a little larger, and that to date they have been a good account regarding payment. He stated

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they purchase the lemon and orange granules at a distributor's price of list less 20%. [] stated that frankly the Chicago area was a particularly difficult area to make sales in and that they were glad to have them as customers. [] stated he could provide no information regarding the ownership of this company.

CG T-2 advised that the following persons are the current partners in the Cooperative Music Company, Chicago Heights, Illinois:

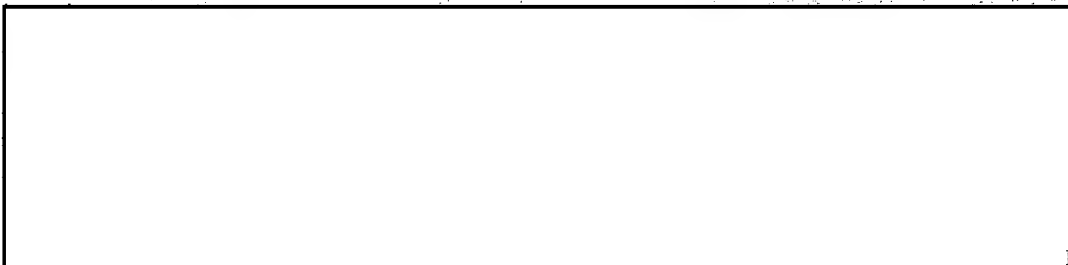
| <u>Name</u> | <u>Social Security Number</u> |
|----------------|-------------------------------|
| PETER ZARANTE | 323-30-3355 |
| FRANK LA PORTE | 335-30-4961 |
| [] | [] |
| FRANK FRANZE | 323-07-6386 |
| MARTIN DULCINI | 323-12-6395 |
| [] | [] |

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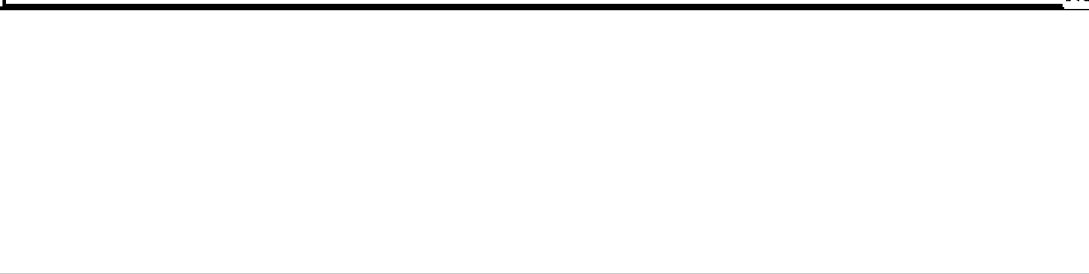
The accountant for this company is [] telephone []
WA 2-3366, or 1972 East 73rd Street, telephone MI 2-0600.

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CG T-1 advised that the Central Construction Company in Chicago Heights, Illinois, which is believed to be controlled by the subject and other Chicago hoodlums, is in the process of destroying its corporation and being reformed as the HLN Corporation, which apparently stands for HARRY L. NATHAN, the listed president of the company. The new corporation will be listed as having \$2,000,000 worth of assets and will apparently be operated by [REDACTED]

Lieutenant [REDACTED] Lansing, Illinois Police Department, advised on February 7, 1963, that he recently had a conversation with [REDACTED] who is a bondsman for the F&L Bond Company. This company is owned by FRANK LUZI, the nephew of FRANK LA PORTE. [REDACTED] advised that he and his associates are considering closing their bonding business because many of the police departments will no longer refer subjects to them because the fact has become well known that LUZI is related to FRANK LA PORTE. The police departments do not want to become involved because of the "heat" on LA PORTE.

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ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

CG T-1 advised that he has recently heard what he considers to be credible rumors to the fact that the Dixie Governor Motel in Hazelcrest, Illinois is in a financial "bind" and that the subject or GUS RUBINO have made offers to [redacted] to the effect that the "syndicate" will loan them money to operate.

CG T-4 advised on January 30, 1963, that he had recently visited what is known as the "Cape Cod" gambling operation. He said that the outgrowth of the name stemmed from the Cape Cod Inn, a restaurant in which gambling was located until it was raided several months ago. He advised that although the game is no longer located at the old Cape Cod Inn, the name has hung on. He has been in contact with [redacted] (It is noted that [redacted] provides transportation service for "outfit gambling games".) [redacted] invited him to attend the game and discovered that it is located at the Tally Ho in Burnham, Illinois.

Informant stated that the manager of this establishment is one TONY (LNU). He advised that TONY is an individual described as a white male, Italian, 55-56 years old, 200 pounds, 5'11", and having dark hair. TONY is a tireless worker and the morale among the people who run the gambling operation is extremely high. TONY has three children, one of whom is employed by IBM and is a college graduate. Informant advised that the chips used in this particular game were from the old Owl Club and have C-C on the dice and chips.

It is noted that information was previously received to the effect that gambling was being conducted at the Tally Ho Restaurant and that the game was run by the subject's brother-in-law, TONY FRANZE and NICK GUZZINO.

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At 11:25 PM, on February 8, 1963, the Tally Ho Inn, at 3000 East 138th Place, Burnham, Illinois, was raided by officers of the Cook County States Attorney's Police. They were armed with a search warrant issued on the same date by Chief Justice JOHN S. BOYLE and the Honorable Judge HUNTER of Criminal Courts. The States Attorney's Police Officers entered a nearby parking lot where two lookouts [REDACTED] were placed under arrest. The raiding party then went to the door, rang the bell and upon receiving no response broke down the door and encountered a second door which was also broken. After entering the room which measures approximately 40 feet in length and 30 feet in width, they observed approximately 50 people. Located in the northeast part of the room was a roulette table and wheel. Adjacent to this table was a blackjack table and directly across from these two tables was a large crap table. They observed several one dollar, five dollar, and twenty-five dollar chips on all these tables. On the blackjack table there was also several decks of playing cards.

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The names and addresses of patrons were taken and the keepers were identified. The patrons were then released and the keepers were placed in custody and taken to the Calumet City Police Department, where they were printed, photographed and arraigned before Judge JOHN GARRITY. Each was released on \$1,000 bonds to appear in court on February 25, 1963, before Judge GARRITY in Calumet City. All of those arrested were booked under Illinois Law, Chapter 38, Paragraph 28-1, Subsection 1.

Patrons (Male)

JOHN P. LE GEE, 3033 South Princeton,
Chicago, age 65.

CHARLES W. BURNS, 4518 West Greenview,
Chicago, age 62.

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[REDACTED]
Chicago, age 27.

[REDACTED] Chicago,
age 40.

HERMAN SCHROEDER, 8801 South Fairfield,
Chicago, age 55.

JOSEPH M. POWELL, 659 Hirsch, Calumet City,
age 55.

FRED F. BRAZZALE, 514 East 115th, Chicago,
age 57.

ELMER C. CHLERT, 5026 Broadway, Harvey,
age 65.

JOHN A. SAFRIANO, 12256 Harvard, age 35.

LEO J. JORDON, 342-157th Street, Calumet
City, age 52.

[REDACTED] Skokie,
age 42.

FRANK ROSENTHAL, 6224 North Talman, age 52.

[REDACTED] age 42.

ANDREW MODOCK, 1135 Bryn Mawr, Chicago, age 72.

ALEX PORTUGAIES, 6535 North Artesian, Chicago,
age 55.

DON S. JOHNSON, 1512 North La Salle, Chicago,
age 50.

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[REDACTED]
Griffith, Indiana, age 41.

DONALD J. SEELEY, 6326 North Lakewood,
Chicago, age 58.

PETER SUMMERS, 2657 Fullerton, Chicago,
age 68.

Patrons (Female)

[REDACTED]
Chicago, IN 3-1052.

[REDACTED]
DI 8-9404. (Played roulette and identified
TONY FRANZE and [REDACTED] as the
dealers and [REDACTED] as the wheel man for
the roulette table. Also identified [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] as the man who handles the money.
Identified [REDACTED] as the operator
of the crap game.)

[REDACTED] (Identified
TONY FRANZE and [REDACTED] as running
the roulette table.)

[REDACTED] AT 5-3162
(Identified [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] as running the roulette table.)

[REDACTED]
(Identified [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] as running the roulette table and
[REDACTED] as her driver.)

[REDACTED] KE 6-4300
(Identified [REDACTED] TONY FRANZE and
[REDACTED] as running the roulette table.)

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[redacted]
(Identified [redacted] as running
the roulette table.)

[redacted] (Identified
[redacted] and
TONY FRANZE as running roulette table.)

[redacted]
SU 4-8461 (Identified TONY FRANZE and
[redacted] as running the roulette table
and [redacted]
as drivers.)

[redacted] SA 7-7600
(Identified [redacted] as the blackjack
dealer.)

[redacted] AM 2-1910
(Identified [redacted] as being at
blackjack table.)

[redacted] SO 8-5121
(Identified [redacted] as the blackjack
dealer.)

[redacted] LA 5-1064.

[redacted] UP 8-5845.

Keepers (Arrested and released on \$1,000 bonds each)

[redacted] age 27.

TONY FRANZE, 1308 Dixie Highway, Flossmoor,
age 50.

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[redacted] age 40.

WILLIAM PALERMO, 8801 South Fairfield,
age 55.

[redacted]
age 27.

[redacted] age 39.

TONY PETRARCO, 170 East 27th Street,
Chicago Heights, age 50.

FRANK PIERCE, 19 East Ohio, age 55.

[redacted] age 42.

[redacted] age 45.

EDWARD J. MEYERS, 701 Bittersweet, age 61.

[redacted]
[redacted] age 55.

The following two men were patrons and were also
arrested along with the keepers and released on \$1,000 bonds
each, to appear in court.

[redacted] Calumet City,
age 21.

FRANK J. DE MARTE, 470 Gordon, Calumet City,
age 48.

Confiscated in this raid were the following items:

One crap table cover;
One blackjack table cover;
One roulette table cover;

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One roulette wheel;
Miscellaneous amounts of chips;
Miscellaneous decks of playing cards;
Cab receipts;
\$4,235.85, U.S. Currency.

[] The following receipts were given by Officer

No. 0657 - to WILLIAM PALERMO for \$2,000.00
No. 0658 - to [] for \$1,794.00
No. 0659 - to ANTHONY FRANZE for \$300.00

[] A receipt was also given to []
[] by Lieutenant [] for \$100.00.

The liquor license for the Tally Ho Lounge is issued to one [] to the Club Tally Ho, 3000 East 138th Place, Burnham 33, Illinois. State Liquor License Number is R-11689. Village of Burnham Liquor License is No. 7.

Approximately one hour after the initial raid, SAs KENNETH L. GROEPER and THOMAS W. PARRISH entered the Tally Ho and attempted to interview the individuals who were arrested as patrons. All admitted their identity, however, refused to answer any questions regarding the subject or his ownership or participation in the game. All refused to furnish any pertinent information regarding the fact that a gambling establishment was operating on the premises.

It is noted that Chief Investigator ROSWELL T. SPENCER, former Special Agent, produced a large grey box of money wrappers on which appeared the name Calumet National Bank, Hammond, Indiana. Several of these money wrappers were obtained from Chief SPENCER. The wrappers have not been used and it appeared that the carton in which they were located was the original carton.

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On January 23, 1963, CG T-4 advised that the Cape Cod gambling establishment located in the vicinity of 138th and Bernard, in Calumet City, Illinois, is under the main influence of FRANK LA PORTE. He advised, however, that LA PORTE is seldom, if ever, present at the operation and that it is run by his lieutenants. Informant advised that EDDIE MEYERS, who is familiar with the game, told him that Sheriff OGILVIE is now "wired in". Informant advised that from the gist of the conversation he assumed that the syndicate gambling operations in some way have reached OGILVIE or his top assistants and are now operating throughout the Chicago and suburban area. Any raids which OGILVIE conducts are on small operation and not necessarily connected with syndicate gambling operations.

On January 25, 1963, Acting Captain, [redacted] Sheriff's Police, Homewood, Illinois, advised that a south side hoodlum named (FNU) [redacted] approached him to the effect that a friend of his from the north side of Chicago had a group of new apartment buildings in or near Posen, Illinois. He has six prostitutes operating from them and wants to keep them running. [redacted] stated that before [redacted] gave him the name of this friend, he, [redacted] angrily threw him out of his office. As a result of his temper, [redacted] will no longer talk to [redacted] and he fears that he is now unable to find out the owner of the apartment building or its location. He is of the opinion that the operation is definitely a syndicate operation.

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CG T-5 advised on January 24, 1963, that 40 slot machines are presently located in the American Legion Hall in Calumet City, Illinois, and appear to be operating without fear of arrest or raids.

It was formerly alleged by a Chicago source that a police officer having Badge #133 was visiting the subject while he was a patient at the St. James Hospital in Chicago Heights, Illinois. Investigation reflects that Chicago Heights policeman, Star #133, is assigned to [redacted]. It is not known if this is the same police officer who visited with LA PORTE.

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Previous information reflects that the subject reportedly offered to build a second story on the building presently occupied by Co-Import Motors, 755 Dixie Highway, Chicago Heights, Illinois, the purpose being to place a gambling establishment on the second floor.

On January 23, 1963, [redacted] Olympia Realty Company, Chicago Heights, Illinois, advised that he and an individual named [redacted] built and owned the building which houses the Co-Import Motors. As a result of a business transaction, [redacted] owed [redacted] \$65,000 for his share of the building. On an unrecalled date, [redacted] approached [redacted] about adding a second story on the building; however, without inquiring too deeply into his offer, [redacted] stated he immediately told him no because of the large debt [redacted] owed him. After that the matter was not brought up again. [redacted] advised that [redacted] later sold out his interest to the present owners and [redacted] is presently residing somewhere in the State of California, at an unknown address. [redacted] stated that he personally was not active in the running of the building and that he was never personally approached by the subject or any of his representatives regarding the possible construction of an additional floor on this building; however, it is quite possible that this was the situation to which [redacted] made reference. [redacted] advised that he would attempt to determine the current address of [redacted]

On December 6, 1962, an individual driving a 1962 F-85 green Oldsmobile, with dealer's plates DL 862-L, was observed having a conference at the Empire Room with PAUL "THE WAITER" RICA and other well known Chicago hoodlums. The Secretary of State's records reflect that this plate is listed to Super Motors, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

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On February 15, 1963, [] advised that the F-85 Oldsmobile, bearing the above license number, is used as a demonstrator and is often loaned out to various individuals who have brought their own cars to Super Motors for repairs. He advised that no records were maintained as to the dates or the individuals who use this car; however, to the best of his knowledge, the car was used during the first week in December, by possibly three individuals, one a Doctor [] of Chicago Heights, and [] who handles the insurance for Super Motors and resides in Chicago, Illinois, and JOE DI GIOVANI of Chicago Heights. It is noted that JOE DI GIOVANI is the son of SAM DI GIOVANI, a well known CAPONE era "bootlegger", who is presently employed by the Wilco Tobacco and Music Company of Joliet, Illinois, which is owned and operated by FRANK LA PORTE. [] was unable to furnish any other information regarding the possible drivers of the company's Oldsmobile.

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CG T-6 advised that the Gorney Restaurant at 127th and May Avenue, is a meeting place for various hoodlums. Informant expressed the opinion that there is probably a large bookmaking or gambling operation conducted in the back of the building. It is the informant's opinion that this operation is controlled by the subject FRANK LA PORTE.

Previous information indicated that [] of Hammond, Indiana, intends to operate a "book" for the benefit of the subject at Mann's Kitchen on State Street, in Calumet City, Illinois.

The 1962 Hammond directory reflects that [] [] is a bookkeeper for a [] concern and that he resides in [] Hammond.

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Records of the Hammond, Indiana Credit Bureau reflect that [] lists his employment as a comedian at the Show Club, 108 State Street, Calumet City, Illinois. He has an unsatisfactory credit rating. The records of the Bureau of Identification, Hammond, Indiana Police Department, reviewed by [] on January 24, 1963, failed to reflect any arrest record for []

CG T-7 advised on January 22, 1963, that he observed RALPH EMERY at the Copa Cabana Lounge in Chicago Heights, on January 21, 1963. Within five minutes after he entered, five men appeared, one of which was [] a [] an individual named FRANKIE, and two persons from New Orleans, Louisiana, named ANTHONY and JOE. Informant stated he is not certain if the FRANKIE is identical to FRANK LA PORTE. This individual departed in a very short time when a black Cadillac pulled up to the front door and waited for him. In a subsequent conversation, he learned that JOE and ANTHONY had arrived from New Orleans by train on January 21, 1963, and would remain in the Chicago Heights area for two days and then return to New Orleans. During this same time [] apparently tried to persuade one of the girls who was talking to RALPH EMERY to travel back to New Orleans with ANTHONY and JOE. Informant advised he was unaware of the girl's name but described her as possessing long dark hair worn over the shoulders, approximately 35 years old, a former resident of Park Forest, Illinois for nine years, and she presently resides in Normandy Villa section of Chicago Heights.

CG T-5 advised that one of the so-called "big games" which is operated by the syndicate, is now being handled by the subject's close associate, JOE GUZZINO, who resides in Calumet City. The location of the game varies because of the recent "heat".

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According to the informant, the last time he attended the game he was told to go to the Tomahawk AC, which is a small club located near 26th and Wentworth in Chicago, Illinois. After arriving at the club there is usually a small rummy game being played. The players are observed by unknown persons and if they are given the "okay", a group will be driven to the location of the big game.

CG T-6 advised that there appears to be a large gambling operation being conducted at Frank and Connie's Restaurant at 179th and Park Avenue. In addition, a small horse book is operated from Bob and Clare's, 13th and Chicago Road, and the layoff bets are called into LA PORTE's main office, where, according to the informant, approximately \$2,000 is called in from Bob and Clare's on a good Saturday. Another book which calls into LA PORTE's headquarters is operated from Tony's Tavern at 13th and Illinois Street, in Chicago Heights.

Informant further advised that GUS RUBINO has been observed on numerous occasions at the Dixie Governor Motel in Hazelcrest, Illinois.

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POLICE PROTECTION AND POLITICAL TIE-INS

CG T-8, a Chicago Heights police officer, advised that four officers of the Chicago Heights, Illinois Police Department are presently prostituting local females in that area. The officers involved are [redacted]

[redacted] According to this informant, these four officers have arranged, through their contacts and association with the subject, so that at least one of them is on the three daily shifts and that they will be notified of any trouble the females become involved in. Two of the females reportedly work out of the Palace Lounge in Chicago Heights. On one occasion, an unknown complainant reported an incident involving one of the girls. Later, an unknown police officer contacted this complainant and stated that investigation indicated he had made a false allegation and the female would not be prosecuted. On another occasion, Officer [redacted] reportedly took an unknown farmer from Beecher, Illinois, to one of the girls. The farmer was fed "knock out drops" and robbed of an unknown amount of money. When he complained to the Police Department, he was subsequently contacted by [redacted] and told that the female had nothing to do with his troubles.

[redacted] an elected municipal commissioner for the City of Chicago, was advised by FBI Agents in a course of general conversation on January 16, 1963, that the possibility existed that four police officers were procuring for local prostitutes. [redacted] replied "You are behind times. I know of six that are pimps." He did not elaborate on this statement nor did he request the identities of any of the officers that might be involved.

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Information received from an informant, reported above, indicated that several slot machines are operating at the American Legion Club in Calumet City, Illinois. As a result of this information, Chief of Police CASIMIR LINKIEWICZ, Calumet City Police Department, was contacted on January 25, 1963, and furnished the above information. He advised that he had a suspicion that machines were probably being operated; however, when he brought this fact to the attention of Mayor JOE NOWAK, he was told to "lay off" the Veterans Clubs in Calumet City, and concentrate on hoodlum activities. He advised that in view of the Mayor's complete cooperation in other areas and particularly in ridding the city of its control by hoodlums, he has no recourse but to abide by the Mayor's wishes.

On the same date, Acting Captain [redacted] Cook County Sheriff's Police, Homewood, Illinois, was advised of the existence of the slot machines. [redacted] stated that he would immediately make plans in order that the American Legion Club in Calumet City would be raided. To date, no raid has taken place.

CG T-5 advised that well known burglars [redacted] and (FNU) [redacted] have recently commented that they need \$35,000 to "fix" their case in Texas. They indicated that this "fix" could be put in with local authorities in the Dallas, Texas area. It is noted that the subject's nephew, FRANK LUZI, posted a \$16,000 bond for [redacted]. During this same period of time, [redacted] indicated that he and [redacted] were contemplating a big "score" in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Informant was unable to obtain any particulars regarding the intended "score".

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Acting Captain [redacted] of the Cook County Sheriff's Police, Homewood, Illinois, advised that on January 15, 1963, officers of his command raided "Mr. G's"

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Tavern in Chicago Heights, Illinois, for serving liquor to a minor. This tavern belongs to a close associate of the subject named [REDACTED]. It previously belonged to SAM GUZZINO. This raid in Chicago Heights is one of the first in recent history to be conducted on any tavern for any type of violation. [REDACTED] stated that he understood the Chicago Heights Police were extremely upset because of this raid and that it was done without their knowledge or permission.

Previous information was furnished to the effect that [REDACTED] visited the subject while he was a patient at the St. James Hospital in December, 1962. It is noted that during the recent primary election that RICHTON came within 24 votes of incumbent Mayor WILLIAM RITTER. As a result, there will be a runoff election between RITTER and RICHTON in April, 1963.

[REDACTED] Homewood, Illinois, advised on February 6, 1963, that she was a close friend of ALEX SORENTINO who was recently murdered in gangland fashion at Chicago Heights, Illinois. She denied all knowledge of SORENTINO's association with the subject and indicated that because of her fear for her own safety both from the hoodlums and the Chicago Heights Police Department, she could furnish no information regarding any of SORENTINO's activities.

On February 11, 1963, [REDACTED] Homewood, Illinois Police Department, advised that his office received two telephone calls to investigate a shooting at the home of GUS RUBINO, a bondsman, who has previously been identified. Upon arriving at the RUBINO residence, both RUBINO and his wife reported that there had been no shooting and no dead bodies were at his residence. According to [REDACTED] RUBINO was noticeably nervous when he found out about the phone calls. [REDACTED] is of the opinion that the calls are a result

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of trouble emanating from the bonding business, which is operated by RUBINO, and his competitor, FRANK LUZI, nephew of the subject.

CG T-7 advised that the Gables, which is located around 159th Street, is supposedly owned by RALPH EMERY. On November 13, 1962, this restaurant sustained a fire and its reported license holder [redacted] was observed moving slot machines from the tavern approximately one half hour before the fire was discovered. Informant stated that he has no basis regarding the proof of the above statement but also understands that a local police officer helped in moving the machines out.

Informant could not recall where he had heard the above information.

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Chicago, Illinois

March 5, 1963

Title FRANK LA PORTE

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to report of Special
Agent Thomas W. Parrish dated
and captioned as above at
Chicago.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.



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CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is an individual who has a wide knowledge
of various criminal and financial operations on the south
side of Chicago, Illinois.

CG T-2 is another Governmental agency which
conducts investigative type inquiries.

CG T-3 is a Governmental agency which conducts
investigative type inquiries.

CG T-4 is an individual who has knowledge of
certain aspects of organized gambling in South Cook County,
Illinois.

CG T-5 is a gambler who has numerous contacts
in South Cook County, Illinois.

CG T-6 is an individual who associates with
various elements of the criminal underworld in Chicago and
South Cook County.

CG T-7 is an individual who has knowledge of
some activities conducted by the criminal element in Chicago
Heights, Illinois.

CG T-8 is a police officer in a village department
located in South Cook County, Illinois.

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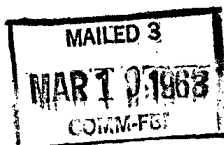
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The synopsis of this report should be revised to delete the following sentence: "Duplicate keys to subject's Flammoor residence obtained."

Page three should also be revised to delete the last two paragraphs, which refer to obtaining of duplicate keys.

Revised pages should be furnished to the USA, Chicago, and Indianapolis, as well as to the Bureau.

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| Miss Holmes | _____ |
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-5793

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. DAILY SUMMARY

CHICAGO INDICES REFLECT THAT THE MAR-LO FINANCE CORPORATION, MENTIONED IN YESTERDAY-S TELETYPE, IS OWNED IN PART BY [REDACTED] WORLD WIDE DISTRIBUTORS. ALL QUOTE JUKEBOXES UNQUOTE FROM THIS CONCERN ARE FINANCED THROUGH MAR-LO. [REDACTED] IS A KNOWN CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF SUBJECT AND POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT THIS TYPE CHATTEL MORTGAGE IS IN VIOLATION OF THE NEW ILLINOIS UNIFORM MERCANTILE LAWS. POSSIBILITY OF LOCAL VIOLATION BEING CLOSELY EXAMINED.

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FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

PRESENT POLICE MAGISTRATE OF CHICAGO HEIGHTS,
BUD MEYERS, OBSERVED HAVING LUNCH WITH JOE COSTELLO,
OWNER OF CHICAGO HEIGHTS LIQUOR DISTRIBUTING COMPANY,
AND [REDACTED] FORMER FEDERAL GAMBLING STAMP OWNER,
AT ZARANTE-S RESTAURANT. AFTER LUNCH OBSERVED LEAVING
IN COSTELLO-S CAR. COSTELLO AND [REDACTED] KNOWN CLOSE
ASSOCIATES OF THE SUBJECT. MEYERS PRESENTLY RUNNING
FOR APRIL RE ELECTION FOR LOCAL MAGISTRATE-S OFFICE.
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FROM SAC, CHICAGO/92-920/

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR DAILY SUMMARY

RELIABLE SOURCE ADVISED THAT MAYOR JOHN
HART, BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS AND QUOTE BABE UNQUOTE
TUFFENILLI, SUBJECT-S GAMBLING LIEUTENANT IN BLUE
ISLAND AREA, ARRIVED ON SAME AIRPLANE FROM CALIFORNIA
AND WERE MET AT CHICAGO AIRPORT BY BLUE ISLAND SQUAD
CAR AND BOTH WERE DRIVEN FROM AIRPORT.

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FROM SAC, CHICAGO /92-920/

FRANK LA PORTE AKA AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

[REDACTED] PAREN PHONETIC ENPAREN A WIDOW OWNS A RESTAURANT IN CHICAGO HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS KNOWN AS THE RANCH HOUSE. SHE HAS BEEN CONTACTED BY THE SUBJECT WHO IS ATTEMPTING TO BUY, BUT SHE HAS REFUSED TO SELL TO HIM. INFORMANT IS OF THE OPINION THAT LA PORTE IS VERY INTERESTED IN BUYING THE PROPERTY AND WILL LIKELY HAVE SOMEONE FRONT FOR HIM IN ITS EVENTUAL PURCHASE

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FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

FOUR VICE RAIDS BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES CONDUCTED IN SOUTH COOK COUNTY AT ESTABLISHMENTS BELIEVED TO BE UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE SUBJECT. RAIDED WERE THE TORCH CLUB AND TOP HAT, CALUMET CITY, ILLINOIS AND THE VIKING GARDENS AND RED TOP TAVERN IN UNINCORPORATED COOK COUNTY. RAIDS CONDUCTED BY STATE-S ATTORNEY-S POLICE AND CALUMET CITY POLICE, TWENTY THREE INDIVIDUALS ARRESTED BUT NO EVIDENCE INVOLVING SUBJECT DEVELOPED.

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FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. DAILY SUMMARY

SUBJECT-S WIFE PRESENTLY A PATIENT IN ST. JAMES HOSPITAL,
CHICAGO HEIGHTS. SHE HAS NO SPECIAL NURSES, AND IS IN FOR GENERAL
OBSERVATION. SOURCES STATE REGULAR FLOOR NURSE IS PERSONAL FRIEND
AND WOULD NOT COOPERATE WITH AGENTS. NO INDICATION THAT SUBJECT
HAS BEEN A VISITOR, HOWEVER, NOTED THAT HE COULD EASILY ENTER ANY
OF THREE SEPARATE ENTRANCES WITHOUT DETECTION

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FROM SAC, CHICAGO /92-920/

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

SUBJECT-S WIFE PATIENT IN HOSPITAL SUSPECTED OF HAVING BREAST
CANCER AND EXAMINATIONS BEING CONDUCTED TO DETERMINE SERIOUSNESS OF
ILLNESS. INFORMANT STATES WIFE IS EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED AND IS AGAIN
DRINKING EXCESSIVELY. INFORMANTS UNABLE TO DETERMINE IF SUBJECT IS
IN CONTACT WITH HER. ESTABLISHED SOURCES INDICATE SUBJECT HAS NOT
BEEN OBSERVED IN CHICAGO HEIGHTS AREA RECENTLY.

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FRANK LA PORTE AKA AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

SUBJECT-S WIFE RELEASED FROM HOSPITAL AND DRIVEN TO
RESIDENCE IN SUBJECT-S BUICK BY UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL. HOSPITAL TEST
FOR CANCER NEGATIVE AND SOURCES STATE ILLNESS IS MENTAL RATHER
THAN PHYSICAL. NO PRIVATE NURSES ORDERED BY SUBJECT AND SOURCES
STATE WIFE WILL PROBABLY AGAIN ATTEMPT SUICIDE. SUBJECT ADVISED
OF THIS FACT AND SHOWED LITTLE INTEREST.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-5793

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR Anti-vehicle steering

REMY PREVIOUS TELETYPES INDICATING THAT CHICAGO HEIGHTS

POLICEMAN [REDACTED] WAS A CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF THE SUBJECT AND INVOLVED IN NUMEROUS ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES. BASED UPON INFORMATION FURNISHED BY THE FBI THE COOK COUNTY STATES ATTORNEY-S POLICE HAVE NOW INVOLVED [REDACTED] IN A LOCAL BURGLARY AND CONNECTED HIM WITH A LOCAL PROSTITUTE. [REDACTED] HAS BEEN SUSPENDED FROM THE CHICAGO HEIGHTS PD FOR A TEN DAY PERIOD PENDING A HEARING.

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SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

April 2, 1963

[] is a Chicago Heights
patrolman concerning whom we
developed information that he was
associating with and operating
prostitutes. We made this information
available to local authorities, who
conducted investigation and suspended
[] pending a hearing concerning
charges of prostitution and burglary.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-5793/

FROM SAC, CHICAGO /92-920/
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FRANK LA PORTE, AKA., AR. DAILY SUMMARY *W*

RE MY PREVIOUS TELETYPES THAT CHICAGO HEIGHTS POLICEMAN,

HAS BEEN SUSPENDED FOR TEN DAYS FOR FAILURE TO REPORT FOR DUTY
AND TO ACCEPT A STATE-S ATTORNEY SUBPOENA. RETURNED TO CHICAGO
HEIGHTS AND WAS ALLOWED TO TAPE AN INTERVIEW OVER THE LOCAL RADIO
STATION. HE MAINTAINED THE BURGLARY INVESTIGATION INVOLVING HIM IS A
DEMOCRATIC POLITICAL MOVE IN AN ATTEMPT TO EMBARRASS THE LOCAL
REPUBLICAN PARTY ON THE EVE OF THE CITY ELECTIONS. *V*

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-5793

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA, AR, DAILY SUMMARY.

SUBJECT-S WIFE ADVISED RELIABLE SOURCE THAT THE SUBJECT
FOR THE FIRST TIME IN TWENTY YEARS IS DRINKING EXCESSIVELY AND HAS
COME HOME "STAGGERING DRUNK" ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS. HE NOW HAS AT
LEAST TWO BODY GUARDS WITH HIM AT ALL TIMES IN ORDER TO PREVENT
ANY TROUBLE WHICH MAY BE CAUSED BY THE SUBJECT-S DRINKING.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-5792

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

MAURINO R. RICHTON ELECTED MAYOR OF CHICAGO HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS. S

PREVIOUS TELETYPE FURNISHED INFORMATION THAT RICHTON WAS A VISITOR TO
SUBJECTS HOSPITAL ROOM, DECEMBER LAST, WHERE HIS CANDIDACY WAS

DISCUSSED WITH SUBJECT. RICHTON CAMPAIGNED ON PLATFORM OF POLICE

CORRUPTION. CHIEF PHILLIP HOWARD EXPECTED TO BE RELIEVED OF

COMMAND. POLICEMAN [REDACTED] MENTIONED IN PREVIOUS TELETYPE WAS

INDICTED YESTERDAY BY COOK COUNTY GRAND JURY FOR OFFICIAL MISCONDUCT.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-5793/

FROM SAC, CHICAGO /92-920/ /1P/

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

SUBJECT RECENTLY OBTAINED UNKNOWN AMOUNT OF INSURANCE
FROM U. S. FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY, CHICAGO, FOR THE
COOPERATIVE MUSIC COMPANY, ONE FOUR ONE SEVEN WAVERLY,
JOLIET, ILLINOIS. ADDRESS WAS LISTED AS A STORAGE AREA FOR
JUKE BOXES. INQUIRY WILL BE MADE TO DETERMINE IF THIS NEW
ADDRESS CAN POSSIBLY BE STORAGE AREA FOR SUBJECTS
MATERIAL.

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FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. ~~AR.~~ DAILY SUMMARY.

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SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE ADVISED SUBJECT ARRIVED LINDEN, CALIFORNIA, SOMETIME DURING PAST WEEK. HE IS RESIDING AT HOME OF HIS SISTER AND APPEARS TO BE RECUPERATING FROM RECENT ILLNESS. SUBJECT INDICATED HE IS INTERESTED IN BUYING ADDITIONAL PROPERTY IN LINDEN AREA.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)

DATE: 4/8/63

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)

SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, aka.
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Rebulet 4/3/63.

Letter submitted with enclosures today. Errors scored. Necessity for promptly handling correspondence *discussed*.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)

DATE: 4/8/63

FROM :

SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)

SUBJECT:

FRANK LA PORTE, aka,
AR

Re Bureau letter dated 3/19/63.

Please find enclosed three (3) copies of amended Synopsis Page and Page 3 of the report of SA THOMAS W. PARRISH dated 3/5/63 at Chicago.

Indianapolis find enclosed two (2) copies of above amended pages. USA, Chicago and Chicago copies have been corrected.

ENCLOSURE

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- 2 - Indianapolis (92-516) (Encls 4)
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-5793

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920 1-P

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

SUBJECT OBSERVED ON MARCH TWENTYSEVEN, LAST, BY AGENTS MEETING WITH PETE ZARANTI, AN INDIVIDUAL NOW IDENTIFIED AS SAM GERACI, AT THE LATTER-S EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLAR RESIDENCE IN CHICAGO HEIGHTS. GERACI DESCRIBED AS QUOTE CAPONE ERA BOOTLEGGER ENQUOTE, WITH NO KNOWN CURRENT ACTIVITY IN ORGANIZED CRIME.

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Date: 4/16/63

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)
SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, AKA.
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DAILY SUMMARY

Sources advised that recent gambling raid by IRS agents in South Cook County has temporarily caused complete disorganization of subject's gambling operations. Many heavy losers are refusing to pay their losses as debts cannot be proved in view of confiscation of records by IRS. Possible "gangland" killing may occur to cite example that debts will be collected.

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Special Agent in Charge

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| REPORTING OFFICE CHICAGO | OFFICE OF ORIGIN CHICAGO | DATE 4/19/63 | INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 3/5 - 4/8/63 |
| TITLE OF CASE FRANK LA PORTE, Aka. | | REPORT MADE BY THOMAS W. PARRISH | TYPED BY bas |
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Synopsis

REFERENCES: Report of SA THOMAS W. PARRISH dated 3/5/63 at Chicago.
Daily Summary Teletypes from Chicago to the Bureau.

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ENCLOSURES

TO BUREAU

Two (2) copies of a letterhead memorandum regarding
Characterization of Informants.

LEADS

INDIANAPOLIS

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR
ADD. DISSEMINATION.

AT HAMMOND AND GARY, INDIANA. Will contact informants and
other sources to determine extent of control exercised over organized
gambling by "TOOTS" PALARMO.


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| APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i> | SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW | |
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SPRINGFIELD

AT CARM, ILLINOIS. Will recontact [] and determine the following specific information: if available:

a. How and when did he meet [] has he had any other business dealings with the [] Does he know of any other business ventures involving the [] or LA PORTE? For the information of SI [] World Wide Dist. under a secret indictment for ITGD violation. He is a known associate of the subject? PILOTTO is a former bodyguard for LA PORTE.

b. When were the threatening calls made? How many calls were received? What circumstances made the calls appear to be from the subject? Were they made from out of state?

c. Determine [] financial interest in the Apache Countyfield. How much money did LA PORTE put into the venture after he acquired [] equity?

SAN FRANCISCO

AT LINDEN, CALIFORNIA. 1. Will determine subject's activities in your area.

2. Will determine misur possibilities if subject appears to be operating his business activities from your area.

CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to investigate subject's activities and background in the organized crime field.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Page 31 of this report reflects a raid by IRS Agents. Previous exhaustive investigation of the subject indicates that all the taverns and other locations raided do not appear to come within the purview of the new federal legislation dealing with interstate gambling activities.

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INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is [] Linden, California,
contacted on April 4, 1963.

CG T-2 is [] Park Forest, Illinois,
contacted by SA THOMAS W. PARRISH.

CG T-3 is [] St. James
Hospital, Chicago Heights, Illinois, contacted by SA THOMAS W.
PARRISH.

CG T-4 is [] Steger, Illinois,
contacted by SA THOMAS W. PARRISH.

CG T-5 is [] contacted by SA THOMAS W. PARRISH.

CG T-6 is [] contacted by SA THOMAS W. PARRISH.

CG T-7 is []

CG T-8 is PCI [] contacted March 21,
1963, by SA []

CG T-9 is [] contacted by SA []

CG T-10 is [] Hammond, Indiana, an Internal
Revenue Service agent.

CG T-11 is [] South Holland, Illinois,
contacted by SA THOMAS W. PARRISH.

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Report of: SA THOMAS W. PARRISH
Date: 4/19/63

Office: Chicago

Field Office File #: 92-920

Bureau File #: 92-5793

Title: FRANK LA PORTE

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Subject presently residing with his sister, Mrs. JEANIE GUADAGNOLA, Linden, California. It appears to sources that he is recuperating from his recent heart ailment. Subject's wife advised a confidential source that subject, since his recent heart attack has become a heavy drinker and on occasions has come to his Flossmoor, Illinois, residence "drunk". Subject's involvement in additional legitimate enterprises and activities set forth. Recently elected Mayor of Chicago Heights, Illinois, who is known to have visited with the subject in December of 1962, has contacted local law enforcement officials and made inquiry about obtaining an FBI trained police officer to take over as new chief of police in order to reform the department. Because of subject's illness and drinking habits RALPH EMERY appears to be gain additional control of organized crime in south Cook County.

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DETAILS:

PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

CG T-1 advised on April 4, 1963, that the subject arrived in Linden, California, sometime during the week end of March 30, 1963, and is presently at the home of his sister Mrs. JENNIE GUADAGNOLO. Informant stated that apparently the subject is recuperating from an illness but has indicated that he is interested in purchasing additional property in the Linden area.

CG T-2 advised that she visited the subject's wife, MARGARET LA PORTE, at her home in Flossmoor, Illinois. Mrs. LA PORTE had been drinking and told the informant that she was extremely upset with her health, her in-laws, her husband and her general living conditions. It appeared to the informant that in view of the fact that Mrs. LA PORTE was in a state of extreme self-pity that with slight urging she would furnish considerable information regarding her situation. As a result, the informant advised Mrs. LA PORTE furnished the following background regarding her life with the subject:

She met FRANK LA PORTE when she was 14 years old. At that time he was considered a "ruffian" who had no respect for authority unless it was backed up by specific force. As the years progressed he completely dominated his mother and sisters but was extremely scared and frightened of his father who was very strict and stern on the entire family. When FRANK was 21 years old and had been in trouble regarding a stolen car he argued with his father to the point that his father picked up a soda bottle and beat FRANK unconscious with it. From that time on FRANK never openly disagreed with his father until his death. She indicated that FRANK has the type of personality that his father had. Every person that becomes associated with him must completely give in to his strong personality. All his sisters and brother-in-laws are extremely frightened by his actions and attitudes. He demands absolute obedience from all persons who work for him.

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Mrs. LA PORTE stated that as an example recently a young unknown male told LA PORTE that he wanted to work during the day and cut out his night work because his wife was expecting their first child. LA PORTE was angered at the way he was approached and told the individual to divorce his wife because he was going to continue working at night or "wind up dead". Mrs. LA PORTE advised the informant that until a person became obligated to FRANK LA PORTE he could be and usually was a very disarming person and could cause everyone to consider him a kind and thoughtful person.

She advised that LA PORTE carries his rebellion against authority to extremes and cited the example that he was raised in the Catholic Church and many years ago made the statement that they could demand that he eat fish but he would not be told by anyone when he could eat it. As a result he presently eats fish every Thursday and also makes it a point to eat meat three times a day on Friday.

Mrs. LA PORTE advised the informant that she is personally "scared to death" of the subject and that he has been "beating her for 36 years." He has shot at her three times with a gun during their marriage. Approximately 6 years ago he was angry with her because of her drinking. He started slapping her and subsequently knocked her down a flight of steps. After he left the house she crawled to call her doctor, Dr. [REDACTED] and he gave her emergency treatment. As a result of this severe beating she made her first visit to Mayo Clinic in Minnesota in an effort to repair the damage inflicted by her husband. She did not admit to Dr. [REDACTED] or the doctors at Mayo Clinic what had actually happened to her but told them that she had slipped and fell. She advised that this particular beating was one of the best things that happened in her married life because the subject realized he had almost killed her and as a result he has not actually physically hit her since that time. Mrs. LA PORTE would make no statement to the informant about her alleged suicide attempt with a gun in December, 1961.

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RESIDENCE

CG T-2 advised on March 20, 1963, that the subject does not regularly live or stay at his residence at 1730 Cambridge Road, Flossmoor, Illinois. When he does return it is usually in the early morning hours and he does not maintain any regular schedule as to his departure from the house. Informant stated that it is alleged that he sleeps at various hotels or at apartments of his unknown girlfriends.

Physical observation of the subject's residence reflects that recently signs have been placed near the driveway and at various points along the fence surrounding the house. These signs state no trespassing on the property and that violators will be prosecuted. Similar signs appear on the property of the subject's brother-in-laws who reside on Cambridge Road in Flossmoor.

Chief of Police CLIFFORD PAULING, Flossmoor, Illinois, advised that men of his command have been instructed to make regular checks of the subject and his relatives' residences during the daylight, evening and night hours. He stated that none have reported seeing the subject but several known 1963 Illinois Licenses have been obtained from cars in the driveway of the subject's residence. Ownership of these licenses are presently being determined.

HEALTH

CG T-3 advised that since the subject's release from St. James Hospital for heart trouble in December, 1962, his health has steadily been declining. Informant stated that the subject's associates indicate that he is drinking excessively and on many occasions has become drunk and disorderly. He has also shown a complete disregard of his wife's feelings and openly admits that he is living with other women on various occasions. Informant stated that this type of activity is directly contrary to his previous conduct in that he was always very careful never to drink to a point that he did not have complete control of his faculties. He

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is now chauffeured everywhere not only because of his previous heart condition but because he needs someone with him to "keep him out of trouble" because of his riotous living. Informant advised that the above information was determined from close associates of the subject who apparently are concerned about his actions and would like additional medical treatment for him.

RELATIVES

Sergeant [] Cook County States Attorney's Police, Chicago, Illinois, advised on April 2, 1963, that local gambling charges against the subject's brother-in-law, ANTHONY TONY FRANZE have been continued and FRANZE's attorney is attempting to obtain change of venue. FRANZE continues to list his residence at Dixie Highway, Flossmoor, Illinois, for sale. It is being handled by the Adolph Solomon Real Estate Agency in Flossmoor. It is noted that [] is a known associate of LA PORTE and was involved in the sale of the one-half million dollar Normandy Villa Sub-Division in Chicago Heights. The subject had a considerable financial interest in this property. Pretext inquiry on April 8, 1963, reflected that FRANZE's home is a three bedroom, two bath located on approximately one and one-half wooded acres. The house is tastefully decorated and was decorated by an unknown interior decorator from Chicago. The original asking price according to [] was \$85,000, however he advised because of the owner's desire to leave the area the price is currently \$68,000. [] indicated that the property was owned by a Mr. FRANZE who operates several service type businesses in the City of Chicago. He further indicated that the property had a "small" existing mortgage with an un-named local bank. He was advised under pretext that a prospective purchaser might be interested in assuming an existing mortgage on the house. [] stated that the figures were presently unavailable and that the property definitely would have to be refinanced. He would furnish no additional information regarding the present owner.

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The subject's wife, MARGARET LA PORTE, was admitted to St. James Hospital, Chicago Heights, Illinois, on March 15, 1963, after waiting 4 days to obtain a private "luxury" room. She was admitted for observation according to CG T-4.

CG T-2 advised on March 19, 1963, that the subject's wife is completely exhausted both physically and emotionally. She was primarily admitted to the hospital because of her personal fear that she had breast cancer, however the examination and biopsy indicates that she does not have any symptoms of cancer. Her attending physician is Dr. [REDACTED] a close personal friend of the subject. Mrs. LA PORTE's medication consisted of 4 types of tranquilizers and varying amounts of narcotics. According to the informant the dosage appeared to be extremely heavy. When the nurses attending Mrs. LA PORTE made this fact known to Dr. [REDACTED] he stated that she should be allowed any amount of tranquilizers she requests. Informant stated that she overheard Mrs. LA PORTE telling an unknown friend that she is gaining the impression that the subject and his friends are attempting to "kill her without it appearing to be murder". Informant further overheard a conversation in which Mrs. LA PORTE stated that ever since her subject's recent heart attack he had been disregarding all his previous precautions relating to his health. He now drinks excessively and on several occasions has come to his Flossmoor residence in a drunken condition. Mrs. LA PORTE stated that until recently in over 30 years of marriage she had never observed the subject drunk to the point that he was not in control of himself. She advised that the subject seldom spends a night at home but on occasions comes in during the early morning hours and makes no effort to conceal the fact that he is living with other women. He is now always accompanied by different business associates who attempt to prevent the subject from getting in trouble because of his drinking. Mrs. LA PORTE indicated to the informant that she had lost over 40 pounds of weight and that after her illness in 1961 she had made a sincere attempt to stop drinking. However in recent months she has again attached herself to the "bottle for solace".

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ASSOCIATES

SAM GERACI
1630 Ashland Avenue
Chicago Heights, Illinois

Subject was observed riding as a passenger in a 1963 bronze four door Electra 225 Buick with 1963 Illinois License 956 813. Physical observation disclosed that the subject, PETE ZARANTI and an unknown male left the area of St. James Hospital and proceeded to 1630 Ashland Avenue. The car remained at this location for approximately 27 minutes and then travelled to the ZARANTI residence on 13th Street where he was discharged. The automobile then returned to 1728 Halsted Street which houses the subject's business the Cooperative Music Company.

[REDACTED]
R. A. Schulze Real Estate
Chicago Heights, Illinois

[REDACTED] is known to previously have visited the subject while he was a patient at St. James Hospital in December, 1962. During these visits [REDACTED] and LA PORTE discussed Chicago Heights politics.

[REDACTED] is a Director of the Citizens Federal Savings and Loan and has been since 1958. He moved to Matteson, Illinois from Chicago as a small child. He graduated from Bloom Township High School, Chicago Heights. Following service in the United States Navy during World War I and his marriage to the former [REDACTED] he returned to Chicago Heights and was employed by [REDACTED] as a real estate salesman. Subsequently he bought the business and changed the name to R. A. Schulze and Company under which the business is still being operated with his two sons [REDACTED] In Chicago Heights he has held the following civic offices:

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Chartered member of the Chicago Heights Board of Realtors and President for 2 terms; a Founder of the Committee for Chicago Heights and Vice President for 2 terms; a Collector of Bloom Township; First Treasurer of American Legion Post 131; Treasurer of Knights of Columbus Council Number 997; President of Rotary Club; President of the Chicago Heights Country Club; member of Industry and Development Commission for the State of Illinois for 5 years. Presently he is chairman of the Lay and Advisory Committee of St. James Hospital and Executive Vice President of the Southern Cook County Republican Club. He was also Commissioner of the Police and Fire Department of Chicago Heights for 2 years.

~~MAURINO~~ RICHTON
Chicago Heights, Illinois

RICHTON on April 2, 1963, was elected Mayor of Chicago Heights on an Independent Ticket known as the Better Government Party. RICHTON had previously been mayor of Chicago Heights on the regular Republican ticket. Difficulty arose between [redacted] and RICHTON and he was not sponsored by the regular Republican group. At the April 2, 1963, election he defeated the incumbent Mayor RITTER by 300 votes which was described as one of the closest races in Chicago Heights history. RICHTON had previously been observed attending a wedding reception for the subject's brother-in-law's son [redacted]. He also visited LA PORTE while he was a patient in St. James Hospital in 1962 at which time informants overheard LA PORTE and RICHTON discussing his candidacy for public office. RICHTON has publically stated that the Chicago Heights Police Department is in a disreputable state of affairs and made numerous campaign promises to completely reorganize the department. It is known that RICHTON received considerable support from some members of the police department who are alleged to be closely associated with the subject and his associates.

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[redacted]
Chicago Heights Police Department

member CG T-5 advised that [redacted] is the brother of [redacted] who operates the Brown Derby Tavern in Thorton Township. He advised that [redacted] was placed on the police

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department as a result of influence produced by FRANK LA PORTE. At the time he was placed on the Chicago Heights Police Department he was on probation for burglary from Park Forest, Illinois. Since his admittance to the Police Force several years ago he is rumored to have been procuring for several local prostitutes in the area.

As a result of information [] was indicted by the Cook County Grand Jury during April, 1963, for conduct unbecoming a police officer. The investigation was conducted by the Chief Investigator of the Cook County States Attorney's Office [] former Special Agent. Considerable allegations have been made regarding the indictment of [] stating that it was being motivated by the Democrats to embarrass the present Republican Administration of Chicago Heights. Republican members of the Chicago Heights City Council and Southern Cook County Republican Organization appeared to defend [] action and deny that any serious problem exists in the Chicago Heights Police Department.

Dr. []
Chicago Heights, Illinois

CG T-6 advised on April 3, 1963, that he had determined a rather unusual situation. He stated that Dr. [] who he knew to be a close friend of subject FRANK LA PORTE had recently purchased the Sauk Drug Company in Sauk Village, Illinois. He stated the drug company had been in operation for several years and has lost money and that it is in such a location that it is next to impossible to operate it at a profit. He furnished the following information regarding the background of the company:

It is an Illinois Corporation chartered on October 9, 1959, with an authorization of 3600 shares, \$10 par value. Originally it was chartered as the Harrison Drug Company and the name was changed by a chartered amendment on April 12, 1962. In April, 1962, Dr. [] purchased control from the Harrison Drug Company stock holders. [] was born in Italy in 1923

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and is married. He is a prominent physician in Chicago Heights and a member of the Chicago Heights Clinic. From April, 1960 to March, 1963, [] appeared as operating President and [] appeared as pharmacist manager. [] is also employed as manager of the Chicago Heights Clinic and [] previously appeared as pharmacist employed by the Chicago Heights Clinic. [] was born in the United States in 1925 and is married. From 1936 to 1959 he was employed as an accountant by the American Brake Shoe Company, Chicago Heights, Illinois. [] was born in 1925 in the United States and is married. Early in March, 1963, a change of control of the corporation was effected whereby one [] and one SIDNEY TRAUB were given an opportunity to purchase the capital stock of the Sauk Drug Company on a long term purchase contract. [] was born in the United States in 1926 and is married. He is a registered pharmacist and was raised in the vicinity of 22nd and Butler Streets, Chicago Heights, Illinois. (This is the "Hill" Section of Chicago Heights where FRANK LA PORTE was born and raised. SIDNEY TRAUB is about 65 years old, married and is a real estate broker with Solomon Real Estate Company. He is also the brother-in-law of [] It is noted above that Solomon Real Estate has had several close business associations with the subject. He has been assisting in the management of the real estate company for about 6 months. Associates have described him as now being of assistance in the management of the drug store and his assistance is confined "principally to watching []

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Physical surveillance reflected that TRAUB has been meeting several times per week for the past 2 months in the Olympia Bowling Lanes Snack Shop, Chicago Heights, Illinois, with BERTARELLI, [redacted] and the subject's brother-in-law TONY FRANZE. Investigation to date has failed to reflect whether the above group is attempting to obtain a narcotics number from a front as the drug store in order to legally purchase morphine and other ethical dangerous drugs. According to CG T-6 the drug store will not be able to make a profit because of its location and based upon informant's knowledge of real estate it was not purchased as a "tax gimmick" but it would appear to be a very poor investment. The drug store's bank account is principally located at the Chicago Heights National Bank, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

[redacted]
Address Unknown

Chief JERRY STEVENSON, Olympia Fields, Illinois Police Department, advised that he had received information that the subject is associated with an individual known as [redacted] who formerly resided in New York City and had a brother who was raised in organized crime and was killed in gangland fashion.

By communication dated March 19, 1963, the New York Office advised that the records of [redacted] Greater New York were reviewed and reflected that [redacted] and his wife resided in West Hampton, Long Island, New York. They formerly resided at [redacted] New York City. [redacted] has a business office at 10 East 49th Street, New York City and is listed as being President of the American Univend Company.

[redacted] is also associated with the Windsor Drug and Chemical Corporation and one [redacted]. The credit records reflected that numerous suits had been filed against [redacted] as an individual and also together with [redacted] American Univend Company, and Windsor Drug and Chemical Corporation for unpaid debts and notes ranging in amounts from \$145 to \$24,000 since 1954.

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The records reflected that [] had a personal indebtedness of \$479 as of January 11, 1963, and his credit was listed as unsatisfactory. The records also reflected that [] is also associated with the Amril Corporation, 10 East 49th Street, New York City, and also has the address of 99 Mill Road, West Hampton Beach, Long Island, New York. It was not clear whether this address is a business or residence address.

Investigation at 10 East 49th Street, reflected that there was a [] and an American Univend Corporation located on the ninth floor of that address.

Records of the County Clerk's Office, New York County, Supreme Court Building, Foley Square, New York City, reflected that the American Univend Corporation was issued Certificate of Corporation Number 10415 on August 31, 1961. The records reflected that it is also an existing corporation in the State of Delaware. The corporation listed its business as leasing vending machines to operators who in turn place the vending machines on hire. [] was listed as Secretary of the corporation.

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The New York files reflected that an [] was Vice President of the CC Super Corporation, 270 Park Avenue, New York City, and resided at [] New York City. They also reflected an [] who resided in [] New York City. No further information was reflected concerning [] in the New York files.

GUS RUBINO
18556 Dixie Highway
Homewood, Illinois

GUS RUBINO who is known to have met with FRANK LA PORTE and other associates at Babes Tavern in Calumet Park is presently driving a creme colored 1955 Thunderbird Convertible with 1963 Illinois License HP 5291 which is registered to IRENE MILDRED RUBINO, 18556 Dixie Highway, Homewood, Illinois.

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Sergeant [redacted] Homewood, Illinois Police Department, advised that RUBINO and "some flunkies of LA PORTE's" have been meeting at irregular times at the Dixie Governor Motel, East Hazelcrest, Illinois. These meetings take place in the early morning hours. [redacted] advised that he had received some information of the possibility that RUBINO and LA PORTE are attempting to loan "juice money" to the present owners of the motel.

[redacted]
Olympia Fields, Illinois

Chief JEROME STEVENSON advised that he has received information since [redacted] residence was burglarized that [redacted] is a front man for FRANK LA PORTE and MANNY SKAR, owner of the Sahara Inn. He stated that shortly after the burglary [redacted] travelled to Arizona where he is residing at [redacted] [redacted] Tucson, Arizona.

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Date March 15, 1963

The records of [redacted]
[redacted] Tucson, Arizona,
contain the following [redacted]
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in the home of [redacted] Tucson, Arizona,
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The above information is confidential and can be made available only upon the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum addressed to [redacted] Manager. [redacted]
[redacted] Tucson, Arizona.

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LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

Eastern Petroleum Company
Box 291
Carmi, Illinois

Previous investigation disclosed that FRANK LA PORTE
in his 1961 federal income tax returns listed [REDACTED]

Referral/Direct

By communication dated March 19, 1963, the Denver Office advised the records of the Secretary of States's Office, Denver, Colorado, reflect that the Eastern Petroleum Company's main office, P.O. Box 291, Carmi, Illinois, is a Delaware Corporation and as of December 19, 1962, the registered office in Denver was 2520 Western National Bank. The character of business was briefly described, not in the amount, December 5, 1962, as "extraction of minerals primarily oil and gas."

The annual report for the company listed officers as HENRY FULLOP, President, Box 291, Carmi, Illinois; J. N. EDWARDS, Secretary, Box 291, Carmi, Illinois; CATHERINE FULLOP, Treasurer, Box 291, Carmi, Illinois. The name FRANK LA PORTE is not listed as being associated with this company. The listed assets as of December 5, 1962, are \$594,463.00.

On March 18, 1963, [REDACTED] Attorney, advised that until approximately one year ago Eastern Petroleum maintained an office in Denver. It was in charge of [REDACTED] Littleton, Colorado. [REDACTED] is a geologist and continues to operate on a fee basis as a representative of the company in Colorado.

On March 18, 1963, [REDACTED] Littleton, Colorado, advised that he does not recall that he has ever had any contact with FRANK LA PORTE and knows nothing concerning any dealings that LA PORTE might have had with Eastern Petroleum.

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By communication dated April 4, 1963, the Springfield Division furnished the following information:

On March 26, 1963, [] President, Eastern Petroleum Company, P. O. Box 291, Carmi, Illinois, was contacted by SA [] at which time [] advised that he was willing to make available all records pertaining to transactions involving FRANK LA PORTE of Chicago, Illinois.

[] explained that he has never actually met FRANK LA PORTE in person and explained that his business transactions with LA PORTE arose through an oil deal which he originally sold to ALLEN J. STERN, 600 North Bernard Street, Chicago, Illinois.

[] advised ALLEN J. STERN is now dead and that his son JOEL STERN apparently has taken over his father's business interests.

[] advised that several years ago, he leased up a bunch of acreage down in Apache County, Arizona, primarily for the purpose of oil well exploration activities. He stated that after some drilling, it was determined that the area had possibly a commercial potential so far as helium gas was concerned. He stated that on this basis he sold a working interest to ALLEN J. STERN in the Apache County, Arizona leases.

[] advised that after the death of STERN, he received inquiry from Mr. STERN's son [] who was interested in transferring his father's share in the mineral rights to the property in Apache County to other individuals. He stated that on February 28, 1960, he received from [] certain certificates made out showing transfer of interest from ALLEN J. STERN to ALFRED PILOTTO, 1541 Chicago Road, Chicago Heights, Illinois, and to FRANK LA PORTE, 1728 South Halsted, Chicago, Illinois.

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The working interest in the property conveyed from STERN to PILOTTO and LA PORTE covered drilling operations and moneys derived therefrom on a one thirty-second working interest basis and was to be in leases which were recorded in Apache County, Arizona. [] exhibited a map of the State of Arizona and particularly of Apache County which had been sectioned off and showed a total of over 14,000 acres of land which he had under lease at the time he sold working interests to ALLEN J. STERN.

[] advised that three wells had been drilled on the various properties in which FRANK LA PORTE had a working interest, having acquired them from the STERN family. [] advised that all three wells proved to be unsuccessful and there was not a producer among them. He stated that he has drilling certificates as well as plugging certificates which show the wells to have been plugged because they were non-producers. He stated that further the leases on which drilling operations took place have now been quit claim deeded back to the Santa Fe Railroad, who has mineral rights for all property in the area in which he was drilling in the Apache County, Arizona territory.

[] advised that on two separate occasions he had conversation with someone, either Mr. LA PORTE or someone representing him, who threatened him and his family with bodily harm. He stated that this arose when LA PORTE apparently thought he had been swindled and either LA PORTE or someone representing LA PORTE called him and told him that he would be taken for a ride as many other hoodlums had been in Chicago fashion. [] advised that he could only surmise that LA PORTE was unhappy after having purchased certain mineral rights to the property which was being drilled by him and this property did not prove to be commercially productive. He stated that from this property, LA PORTE would probably receive very little or no return on his investment. [] advised that he does not have any information regarding LA PORTE's complete activities in the oil industry as he has never heard anyone mentioning LA PORTE as an associate of those in the oil industry.

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By communication dated March 26, 1963, the Albuquerque Office furnished the following information:

The 1962 Albuquerque City Directory listed WILLIAM T. MYERS, Jr., 9426 Woodland Northeast, Albuquerque, and also his occupation as a "well driller."

On March 14, 1963, WILLIAM T. MYERS advised that he is the owner of the W. T. Myers Drilling Company. He stated that this company is discontinuing drilling operations and that he is in the process of selling his equipment as he intends to retire. MYERS stated that he does not know FRANK LA PORTE and to his knowledge has never heard that name. He advised that in the past he has done some drilling for the Eastern Petroleum Company and that some of the wells drilled were located in Apache County, Arizona. He stated that he has no knowledge concerning any connection with FRANK LA PORTE, nor connection that FRANK LA PORTE might have with Eastern Petroleum but that it was possible that Eastern would sell various individuals part interest in the wells that they have drilled.

On March 25, 1963, the records of the Albuquerque Police Department were reviewed but no arrest record could be located for FRANK LA PORTE.

ABC Vending Corporation
of California
3217 Exposition Place
Los Angeles, California

Previous investigation disclosed that GEORGE "BABE" TUFFENELLI, who has been reputed for many years to be the subject's chief lieutenant of gambling operations in Blue Island, Illinois, had recently traveled to California. It was alleged that TUFFENELLI was possibly involved with the ABC Vending Company.

By communication dated March 25, 1963, the Los Angeles Office furnished the following information concerning the ABC Vending Corporation of California:

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The above company is a branch of the ABC Vending Corporation with headquarters located at 50-01 Norther Boulevard, New York City 1, Queens, New York.

CG T-7 advised on March 7, 1963, that he could furnish no information indicating that ABC at Los Angeles is under hoodlum influence nor was he aware of any information indicating GEORGE "BABE" TUFFENELLI was in California.

Newkirk Transit Mix, Inc.
720 Collins Street
Joliet, Illinois

CG T-6 advised that [redacted] owner of Chicago Macaroni Products, [redacted] who is a close social acquaintance of FRANK LA PORTE, and [redacted] hoodlum attorney in Chicago Heights, have taken over and re-incorporated Newkirk cement ready mix company listing its address as [redacted] residence at Flossmoor, Illinois. Informant stated that the former president is now serving time in a federal penitentiary for income tax evasion. Informant stated that [redacted] received considerable publicity in Chicago newspapers because he used as a defense payoffs to State Police officers who would then allow him to overload his cement trucks.

Informant further advised that he has learned from a reliable source that the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has placed over a half a million dollar lean on the Newkirk Company. [redacted] and LA PORTE have agreed to place United States currency in banks specified by IRS to cover the government's lean in full.

Informant states that previously the Newkirk Transit Mix, Inc. had the following officers: [redacted] President; [redacted] Secretary; [redacted] Treasurer, Sales are estimated at \$1,000,000 with ten employees. On June 14, 1962, the president and secretary were indicted by a federal grand jury, number 62CR-285. [redacted] is charged with evading a personal income tax of \$36,392 in 1956-57, and company taxes of \$56,010.

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The operation is described as manufacturing ready mix cement for local and some surrounding trade. Sales and services are 25% cash and they have approximately 200 accounts. The operation is conducted from a one story garage building in good repair on a main street occupying space of 50 by 100 feet. The mixing plant and bulk storage is located on Jackson Street in Joliet. The company is an Illinois corporation chartered September 8, 1947, authorized capital of 5,000 shares, par value \$100. \$200,000 was paid in as of March 1, 1948. The corporation succeeded the individual business of F. H. NEWKIRK. In March, 1950, a branch operated as Fox Valley Transit Mix was incorporated with an authorized capital of 10,000 shares, common par value \$10.

The company also operates the West Suburban Transit Mix, Inc. which was chartered in 1951, with an authorized capital of 5,000 shares, \$100 par common stock. This plant is located at Naperville.

F. H. NEWKIRK is married, was born in the United States in 1902. He was employed and engaged in farming until starting a ready mix concrete business in May of 1947. [redacted] is a sister of the president. She is employed as a bookkeeper with the above firm. [redacted] is the daughter of [redacted] and was born in 1931. She is active as a housewife and not active in the business.

The Department of Internal Revenue on March 7, 1963, entered a lean for federal income tax in the amount of \$606,554, lean number 18736831.

CG T-6 advised on March 18, 1963, that since his original information he has learned that FRANK LA PORTE, JOSEPH MATELONE, and GLADYS MATELONE, all of Flossmoor, Illinois, on February 8, 1962, organized a corporation known as the Illinois Read Mix Corporation with an authorized capital of 1,000,000 shares of no par value common stock. Its temporary office is 1049 Evans Road, Flossmoor. SILVO E. PIACENTI is listed as one of the incorporators. The informant stated that PIACENTI is the nominee and fiduciary agent for LA PORTE. The corporation attorney and counsel is MORRIS HAFT, Chicago, Illinois. It is noted that HAFT held a partial interest in the Normandy Villa Sub Division of which the subject is involved.

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The Illinois Readi Mix Corporation has as its principal purpose the acquiring of assets of the Newkirk Transit Mix, Inc., and will take over its customers. The informant is of the opinion that the corporation was established to liquidate at least the mere value of the assets of Newkirk and avoid part of their civil taxing amounts.

The informant further advised the second purpose of the company is to acquire a large and well equipped ready mix concrete plant geographically well located to obtain contracts in conjunction with a construction company and probably the D'Andre Construction Company of Joliet, Illinois, and bid for construction of Interstate Highway 80 which is expected to run close to Joliet, Illinois.

Normandy Villa Sub Division
Chicago Heights, Illinois

Previous investigation has established the subject's interest in the Normandy Villa Sub Division of Chicago Heights. [redacted] Mortgage Department, Oak Lawn Federal Savings and Loan Company, Oak Park, Illinois, advised on March 23, 1962, that he was formerly associated with United States Steel Homes, Inc. In his capacity with that company he came in contact with [redacted] of Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] represented himself as the owner of approximately 28 acres of real estate which was subsequently named Normandy Villa. [redacted] was attempting to sell the property to United States Steel Homes, however, United States Steel Homes was not interested in purchasing the real estate but only in the building and construction of residential buildings.

[redacted] introduced [redacted] to the owners of Roscoe Homes, Inc. This company subsequently purchased the property and is presently in the process of developing it. [redacted] advised that he had approximately four meetings in all with agents of Roscoe and [redacted]. He stated that during the time he had met with [redacted] he had never heard the name of FRANK LA PORTE mentioned as being involved in either the ownership of the real estate or any connection with Roscoe Homes. He advised that he has not seen [redacted] in approximately two

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years but that to the best of his recollection, [] indicated that he owned several large tracts of property which he had sold to building corporations. He recalled that [] owned an old airport in Lombard, Illinois, which was located on the north side of town and provided about 40 building lots. [] also stated to NELIUS that he owned 20 to 30 lots in Elmhurst, Illinois, which was located off Butterfield Road about three blocks east of York Road. It was his recollection that [] soon started to build homes on this property. The only other properties that [] indicated an interest in was in Addison, Illinois, on the east end of town. A [] of the Addison Savings and Loan Company would be more familiar with the property and could probably furnish more particulars on it.

[] advised that at no time did [] appear to be anything other than a "sharp" real estate promoter. He stated that he did not actually believe that [] owned the property but that he was merely trying to promote any type of real estate project he could in an effort to make a commission from him.

CG T-6 advised that the subject doing business as the Cooperative Music Company, 1417 Waverly, Joliet, Illinois, had taken out an unknown amount of insurance from the United States Fidelity and Guarantee Company of Chicago. The purpose of the policy was listed as protection for a storage area for "jukeboxes." It is noted that [] is the private residence of [] a routeman for the Wilco Music and Tobacco Company of Joliet. [] has previously been interviewed and furnished no pertinent information regarding the subject.

[] Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, advised that her records reflect that a 1961 Ventura Pontiac, motor number VIN 561P-5037, was sold to FRANK FRANZE. FRANK FRANZE traded in a 1959 Ford sedan and paid the difference in cash. [] stated that FRANZE is the operator of the Cooperative Music Company of Chicago Heights. Although she could not locate an exact record, she believes the title to the Pontiac was made out to [] on a milling company of Wellington, Nevada, listing FRANK FRANZE as secretary. She advised she has no other information regarding the transaction.

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CG T-8 advised that the "Why Not", 436 Dixie Highway, continues to remain open after the 2 a.m. curfew but it is not bothered by Chicago Heights Police. The upstairs of the "Why Not" is operated as a house of prostitution. The bartender on duty is the contact between the girls and the customer. To gain entrance to the second floor the customer asks the bartender "Is your wife home tonight?" If the girls are working, the customer is then allowed to go upstairs. The informant indicated that Chicago Heights Police Officer [redacted] who is alleged to be an associate of the subject, is involved in the ownership.

CG T-9 determined that during the early part of February, 1963, that [redacted] a leg man for RALPH EMERY had been hired for \$200 by JOE GUZZINO to surveil an individual named [redacted] (phonetic). [redacted] had surveilled [redacted] home and his place of business and subsequently reported to EMERY and GUZZINO that [redacted] was "okay." GUZZINO had been of the opinion that [redacted] was possibly an FBI Agent and was concerned over the fact that [redacted] had been present during the past two years at many south side hoodlum gatherings. EMERY indicated that he had been told to stay in the Chicago Heights area for an unknown period of time. The informant was unable to learn of the trouble that EMERY is apparently in but felt that the order came from LA PORTE.

[redacted] has recently been drinking heavily during his frequent visits at the Vagabond Lounge and has made it known that he is very much upset over the fact that his wife has left him. She reportedly left because of his hoodlum connections and because of the fact that he is unable to break away from the Chicago Heights area. [redacted] told the informant that he is very much in love with his wife but is "tied to the group and is not able to move to Springfield." His wife is believed located in that area.

EMERY and GUZZINO told the informant that they have the recently re-elected Judge MYERS "in their pocket" and that the outfit has no difficulty in fixing brushes with the law because they can always count on Judge BUD MYERS.

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Sergeant [redacted] Homewood, Illinois Police Department, advised that on infrequent occasions GUS RUBINO [redacted] (phonetic), [redacted]

Justice of the Peace at Vicksmoor, Illinois, meet with FRANK LA PORTE at Babe's Truck Stop, 127th Street and Wall, Blue Island, Illinois. He advised that he is unable to determine the purpose of the meetings but assumes it has something to do with RUBINO's Ace Bonding Company and the F & L Bonding Company owned by LA PORTE's nephew, FRANK LUZI.

Sergeant [redacted] Identification Division, Chicago Heights Police Department, advised that his officer's report, number 33732, indicates that [redacted] former owner of the Skyline Lounge, reported on October 19, 1962, that his 1962 Cadillac had been stolen from in front of the Skyline Lounge. He claimed the car was locked and that he had the keys in his pocket.

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On October 22, 1962, RALPH EMERY called the police department and reported that his .38 caliber Colt Snub Nose Revolver, serial number 186526, was in the glove compartment of COSTABILE's car when it was stolen. The property was valued at \$5,800, and COSTABILE stated that he resides at 244 Highland Avenue, Chicago Heights, Illinois. The complaint was signed by Captain [redacted]

Chief of Police CASMIR LINKIEWICZ, Calumet City, Illinois Police Department, advised that the States Attorney's Police of Cook County conducted a vice raid at the Red Top and Vickings Gardens, South Holland, Illinois. On March 13, 1963, the chief stated that both these taverns are reportedly owned by [redacted] who is considered to be a subordinate of FRANK LA PORTE. Nine females were arrested on charges of prostitution.

The chief further advised that officers in his command on March 10, 1963, conducted a vice raid at the Torch Club and Top Hat both of which are taverns located on State Line Street, Calumet City. The raid resulted in the arrest of fifteen individuals on vice charges. The chief advised that the two clubs were ordered closed on an order of the Local Liquor Control Commission, Mayor JOSEPH W. NOVAK.

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The chief further advised that because of investigations made by his officers, FRANK LA PORTE's Oaks Motel on Torence Avenue in Calumet City has been permanently closed. His attorney [] had told them that the owners of the motel had given up all efforts to fight the confiscation of their liquor license and as a result they would close their doors.

The following information was obtained from the records of the Chicago Heights City Clerk on the Hunters Protective Club. It had previously been alleged that LA PORTE and some of his associates gambled at the above club on Sunday afternoons. The club was incorporated in 1930 to increase interest in all matters pertaining to sports particularly hunting. It was granted a Class D license and is listed as a private club. By application dated April 7, 1962, the following are listed as officers:

EAEIO CAPACOSA, President,
364 Coolidge

L. CORIOBITTI, Vice-president,
3038 Fairview,
South Chicago Heights, Illinois

LOUIS CAPACOSA, Treasurer,
1301 Ashland.

Other officers are listed as YISDRO ESPINOZA, 1418 Green Street, and LOUIS DALIE, 421 Caldwell. The address for the club is listed as 1645 Center Avenue.

CG T-5 advised on April 8, 1963, that JOE GUZZINO is presently managing a barbout gambling game in Cicero, Illinois. In recent weeks, GUZZINO, AL ROSSITTI, JIMMY CUTURO and another unknown individual traveled to Las Vegas. The purpose of the trip is unknown to the informant but he assumes it has something to do with the Chicago "outfit."

The informant advised [] (phonetic) has been in the informant's presence when he received telephone calls and the informant gained the knowledge that the calls referred to contracts for unknown individuals who were to be killed by the syndicate. He stated that there is little question in his

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mind but that [] is a "hit man for the outfit." In the past the informant knows that [] keeps ball bats and other dangerous weapons in his home and on occasions [] has indicated that it is part of the necessary equipment to keep some of the "boys in line." [] is presently incarcerated in the Cook County Jail on an armed robbery charge. The informant stated that [] is a close associate of [] who was formerly a bondsman for FRANK LUZI. The informant further advised that LUZI during the month of March flew to Miami, Florida, where he remained for approximately two weeks. He told the informant that the purpose of his trip was personal and that it had nothing to do with his uncle's business nor with his own bonding business. The informant was unable to determine the subject's residence in Florida. This same informant advised that [] is now working as a "collector" for an unknown company in Cicero, Illinois.

CG T-8 advised that LA PORTE is intending to secretly buy the Ranch House, a restaurant and bar located on Dixie Highway and Joe Orr Road, Chicago Heights. [] (phonetic) was contacted by LA PORTE but she apparently refused to sell to him. When [] was alive the Ranch House was a hangout for known Chicago Heights hoodlums and gamblers.

CG T-10 advised that ISODORE ZWIEG is the brother of former Gary city mayor HAROLD ZWIEG who was convicted of income tax evasion. The informant stated that IRS is now aware of ZWIEG's interest in the Normandy Villa Sub Division and that it may have some connection with the subject's alleged control of Gary and Hammond, Indiana, gambling.

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On April 8, 1963, [redacted] Chief Investigator, Cook County States Attorney's Police (former Special Agent) advised that he had recently received a call from the newly elected Mayor MAURINO RICHTON of Chicago Heights, Illinois, who advised him that he had run on a campaign of police corruption in Chicago Heights. In order to carry out his campaign promises he advised SPENCER that he would like his assistance in employing a new chief who had FBI training or background. He stated that the present chief's job paid \$8,000 per year; however, if a good competent individual could be located, the salary could be increased. In addition he was creating a new Civil Service Board at Chicago Heights who would cooperate with a reform chief to purge the Chicago Heights Police Department of its undesirable elements. SPENCER stated that from previous investigation he was surprised to hear RICHTON make such statements as it had appeared that RICHTON was involved personally with FRANK LA PORTE.

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On March 15, 1963, Captain [redacted] Homewood Station, Cook County Sheriff's Office, advised that he had recently been appointed to the position and was interested in cleaning up organized crime in south Cook County. He was advised that initially he could start by hurting them financially if he had the cigarette machine in the police station removed. The machine was supplied by the Regal Vending Company, which is owned by RALPH EMERY, JOE COSTELLO and FRANK LA PORTE. Captain NOBLE stated he would take immediate measures to have this machine removed. He later advised that he had called the Regal Vending Company and told them that if they did not have the machine out of the station within 2 hours it would found in the street. He further advised them that he was obtaining a new machine from the George F. Mueller & Sons Company in Blue Island, Illinois. On March 18, 1963, during the early morning hours, the Mueller Company was bombed and considerable damage resulted. JOSEPH COSTELLO was interviewed by agents and denied that Regal Vending Company personnel had anything to do with the bombing. COSTELLO admitted that he was a partner in the Regal Vending Company but refused to answer any question regarding the subject's ownership and referred any additional questions to his attorney.

**POLICE PROTECTION AND
POLITICAL TIE-INS**

Observation reflects that on March 7, 1963, Police Magistrate "BUD" MEYERS, [] had a luncheon meeting at Zaranti's Steak House on 14th Street in Chicago Heights, Illinois. Following the meeting all of the individuals entered [] Cadillac where [] was driven to the Chicago Heights City Hall. [] on April 2, 1963, was re-elected to the post of Police Magistrate for Chicago Heights, Illinois. [] is a partner in the Regal Vending Company and the Chicago Heights Distributing Company, both of which have previously been identified as hoodlum controlled organizations. [] is connected with the La Bue Construction Company and was formerly a Federal Gambling Tax Stamp holder.

CG T-9 advised that RALPH EMERY, who appears to control the operations of the Vagabond Lounge in Chicago Heights, Illinois, and is a partner in the Regal Vending Company of Chicago Heights, Illinois, has told him on numerous occasions that his friends had no trouble with the local law because [] is "in our pocket". Informant stated that on one occasion [] (LNU), night bartender, at the Vagabond Lounge, was complaining to EMERY that he was going to be heavily fined because of some type of traffic violation. EMERY picked up the telephone and apparently talked to Police Magistrate MEYERS and in very insulting tones told him that the matter had to be taken care of. After the conversation on the telephone he turned to the bartender and told him to forget all about the trouble, that it had been taken care of.

Sergeant [] Homewood, Illinois, Police Department, advised that he had been at O'Hare Airport on February 25, 1963. He observed Mayor JOHN HART of Blue Island, Illinois, and GEORGE "BABE" TUFFENELLI arrive on the same plane from California. They were subsequently met by a Blue Island, Illinois, squad car and driven to Blue Island. He advised that he later viewed the incoming flight and determined that it had been a non-stop flight from Los Angeles, California. He advised

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that he has heard from reliable sources in the past that it is difficult to determine whether TUFFENELLI works for Mayor HART or Mayor HART works for TUFFENELLI.

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Chief JEROME STEVENSON, Olympia Fields, Illinois, Police Department, advised that he had contact with a close friend of his who is presently employed by the Joliet, Illinois, Police Department. This individual stated that he had information that the subject, FRANK LA PORTE, and a Joliet real estate dealer named [] had donated \$25,000 into a bank account to assist A. A. WILLS in his candidacy for Mayor of Joliet, Illinois. It was subsequently determined that out of a field of 5 candidates, WILLS ran 2nd in the mayoral race.

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CG T-11 advised on April 8, 1963, that he had recently received information from what he considered a reliable source that an unknown individual from the north side of Chicago had been kidnapped by the [] brothers of Chicago Heights, Illinois, for non-payment of "juice" obligation. It is noted that when the subject's wife attempted suicide by shooting herself in 1961 the gun found at the scene was registered to [] who is one of the brothers referred to by the above source. Informant stated that this particular individual who had been kidnapped was only one of several persons obligated to the D'ANDRE brothers and their associates. Loans had been made to several tavern operators on Illinois route 83 and United States Highway 30 in south Cook County area. Because of increased vice raids by local law enforcement officers, the taverns have been unable to come up with re-payment of the loans. [] intend to make an example of this one individual so that the other persons who are obligated to them will obtain money for re-payment of their loans. Informant stated that the individual who was kidnapped is being held in a private residence in Richton Park, Illinois. The address is unknown at the present time. Richton Park, Illinois, has a 2 man police force and in view of this, the above information was furnished to the Chief Investigator of the Cook County States Attorney's Office.

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CG T-9 advised on April 10, 1963, that RALPH EMERY appears to be gaining stature in the organized crime syndicate of south Cook County, Illinois. EMERY has stated that he now must make weekly trips "downtown". EMERY continues to meet at the Vagabond Lounge in Chicago Heights, Illinois, and is also known to spend most of his afternoons at the home of his paramour [redacted] Dalton, Illinois. EMERY also spends considerable time at his "horse farm" in Midlothian, Illinois.

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Chicago daily newspapers on April 8, 1963, reflect that 300 agents of the Internal Revenue Service conducted a series of raids on various "bookmaking joints" in south Cook County, Illinois. Sixty individuals were taken into custody and are to appear before the Federal Grand Jury in Chicago, Illinois. The raids were conducted in Calumet City, Burnham, Chicago Heights, and Steger, Illinois. The articles allege that the raids were conducted in the territory controlled by hoodlum FRANK LA PORTE. The majority of the taverns raided were indicated to be controlled by three central lay-off operations involving [redacted] in Calumet City, [redacted] Eagle Liquors in Chicago Heights and Steger and [redacted] in Burnham, Illinois.



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois

April 19, 1963

Title FRANK LA PORTE

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Report of Special Agent
Thomas W. Parrish dated
and captioned as above
at Chicago, Illinois

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.



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CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is an individual who has an unlimited knowledge of La Porte's activities in the California area.

CG T-2 is an individual associated with the St. James Hospital in Chicago Heights, Illinois.

CG T-3 is another individual associated with the St. James Hospital in Chicago Heights, Illinois.

CG T-4 is another individual associated with the St. James Hospital in Chicago Heights, Illinois.

CG T-5 is an individual who has a knowledge of gambling activities in the Chicago area.

CG T-6 is an individual who has knowledge of the financial operations of various individuals in south Cook County, Illinois.

CG T-7 is an individual who has contacts in the Los Angeles, California, area.

CG T-8 is a person who has some knowledge of gambling activities in the south Cook County area.

CG T-9 is a person who has an acquaintanceship with various hoodlums in Chicago Heights, Illinois.

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CG T-10 is an employee of a governmental agency which conducts investigativestype inquiries.

CG T-11 is a person who has some knowledge of the hoodlum activities in south Cook County, Illinois.

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FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)
SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, Aka
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Daily Summary Airtel

[redacted] advised that GUS RUBINO, associate of the subject, and owner of the Show Club, Dixmoor, Illinois, had recently suffered financial loss at his club. The loss resulted from increased harrassment by local authorities including the Cook County State's Attorney's Police and Cook County Sheriff's Office. The owner of the real estate and building obtained a writ against RUBINO for \$900, owing back rent. The writ was to be enforced on 4/17/63. On 4/17/63, at 3:00 AM, two large trucks appeared at the Show Club and removed all furniture and fixtures, including the windows, and a board fence surrounding the property. Informant states that RUBINO did this for spite and also that he expects to set up his "strip" club in another location and can utilize most of the fixtures in his new venture.

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 SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, aka.
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DAILY SUMMARY

Newly elected Mayor of Chicago Heights has discharged the Chief of Police, PHILIP HOWARD. He has "temporarily" appointed ARNO W. TOLL to the position. TOLL is 65 years old, and formerly operated a trucking firm in Chicago Heights; and he has had no prior police experience. Sources advised that many years ago TOLL owned a pool hall and bookie. He is later reported to have furnished and maintained slot machines in the Chicago Heights Country Club.

Bureau is requested to review their indices for any information on TOLL.

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Daily Summary Airtel

Subject's nephew, FRANK LUZI, advised informant that he was going to pick up his uncle and 2 "big politicians" and drive them to Chicago. Fisur was conducted on LUZI and he was observed picking up the subject at the residence of TED BARTUSIEWICZ, Flossmoor, Illinois. They proceeded north toward Chicago. The fisur was discontinued because of heavy traffic conditions. Subsequent investigation fails to establish who the "big politicians" were referred to by LUZI.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-5793

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 92-920

FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. DAILY SUMMARY.

CHIEF INVESTIGATOR, COOK COUNTY STATES ATTORNEY/S POLICE TODAY
ARRESTED SUBJECT/S NEPHEW, FRANK LUZI, AND HIS PARTNER
OPERATORS OF THE F AND L BAIL BOND COMPANY, CHICAGO HEIGHTS, ON THE
CHARGE OF BRIBERY. THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE AT SAUK VILLAGE, ILLINOIS,
COOPERATED AND TAPE RECORDINGS OF TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS PAYOFF TO JUSTICE
AND PROMISE OF ADDITIONAL FUNDS OBTAINED. CHICAGO IS FOLLOWING
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DAILY SUMMARY

Contact with States Attorney's Police and other local sources indicate that the bribery arrest of the subject's nephew, FRANK LUZI and his partner will be handled by direct indictment before the Cook County Grand Jury in order to prevent the case value being tried by any south suburban judges with whom the subject has considerable influence. Legally instituted tap recordings of the conversation regarding the bribe reviewed by agents and it would appear that state authorities have an excellent possibility for conviction. LUZI and his partner have denied the allegation. This matter being followed closely.

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DAILY SUMMARY AIRTEL

Subject arrested by Illinois State Police on 5/9/63 at 3:30 a.m. in the vicinity of his residence at Flossmoor, Illinois, traveling 60 miles per hour in a 45 mile zone. He is expected to appear in court on 5/23/63 for disposition of his case. Captain [redacted] Illinois SP, advised he will contact presiding judge in an effort to make sure that a personal appearance by the subject will be guaranteed and that he cannot resolve his case by an attorney.

Efforts to obtain photographs of the subject will be instituted.

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DAILY AIRTEL SUMMARY

Reliable source advised that "several" Joliet, Illinois, police officers receive up to \$200 per month to see that the subject's interests are protected. Payments are made through FRANCIS CURRY, previously identified.

One officer, a [] LNU, has retired from the department and moved to the State of Florida, but continues to receive \$100 per month for past favors to the subject and his organization. Another police officer has a small trucking company and handles some of the subject's juke boxes and cigarette vending hauling problems.

Investigation will be expedited to determine if this individual has, in the past, hauled or stored any illegal loot for the subject.

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DAILY AIRTEL SUMMARY

PCI of Chicago Office on 5/2/63 alleged that several unknown individuals in southern Cook County, Illinois, were on "juice" to the syndicate and were not making their payments. As a result, one of them had been "grabbed" and kept in an unknown house, Matteson, Illinois, where he had been "hit" as an example to the others. On 5/14/63 a body was discovered in a ditch near Matteson, Illinois. It appeared to have suffered severe head wounds causing the death. Because of decomposition, no identification has been made to date by Cook County Coroner's Office. General rumors are that the body is that of a "juice" victim. Local authorities are continuing efforts to identify the body.

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FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)
SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, aka.
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Justice of the Peace LASHNI ([REDACTED]), Homewood, Illinois, was contacted regarding subject LA PORTE receiving a traffic citation for speeding. The Justice of the Peace advised that he could not demand the personal appearance of the subject in court if his attorney appeared and entered a plea of guilty for him.

At the appointed time, [REDACTED] Chicago Heights hoodlum attorney, appeared and entered plea of guilty for the subject. Subject was fined \$10 and \$5 costs. The subject did not appear at the hearing.

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FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)
SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, Aka
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Daily Airtel Summary

Informant advised that he had a conversation with the daughter of [redacted] previously identified. [redacted] left Chicago for Florida on 6/6/63, but on 6/8/63 received an urgent call from subject to immediately return to Chicago for an emergency meeting with [redacted] AL ROSSETTI, LA PORTE, and other unknowns. Informant gained impression that the meeting had to do with the 6/8/63 gangland slaying of KENNETH GORDON, well known Chicago fence. Informant could furnish no additional information.

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| TITLE OF CASE FRANK LA PORTE, aka. | | REPORT MADE BY THOMAS W. PARRISH | TYPED BY jmn |
| | | CHARACTER OF CASE AR | |

~~SYNOPSIS:~~

REFERENCE: Report of SA THOMAS W. PARRISH dated 4/19/63 at Chicago.
Summary airtels from Chicago to Bureau.

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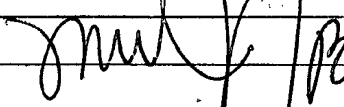
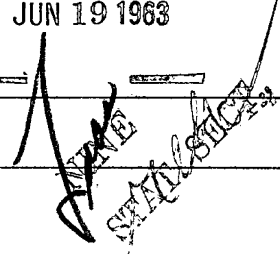
TO BUREAU

Two (2) copies of a letterhead memorandum regarding characterization of informants.

LEADS

INDIANAPOLIS

AT HAMMOND AND GARY, INDIANA. Will maintain contact with logical informants in an effort to determine if the subject is active in the supervision of various illegal activities in the Hammond-Gary area.

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LAS VEGAS

AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA. Will, through established sources, attempt to determine if the subject, JOE GUZZINO, Calumet City, Illinois, AL ROSSETTI, Chicago, Illinois, and JIMMY CUTURO, Chicago, Illinois, were guests at any of the well known "strip" hotels during the month of May, 1963.

2) Will check police and Clark County Sheriff's Office records to determine if they are known to those agencies. It is noted that the above individuals are reportedly well acquainted with [redacted] who is active in the Las Vegas area.

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SAN FRANCISCO

AT LINDEN, CALIFORNIA. Will review toll telephone calls for the subject's sister during the period of time that the subject was known to be residing at her residence.

2) Will set out leads to determine subscribers, paying particular notice to any calls made to the State of Texas.

3) Will determine any background that subscribers may be involved in any real estate transactions of large proportions. An allegation exists that the subject has made a considerable financial investment in a "large Texas real estate development" and has not reported taxable income from it. It is requested that interested offices not interview any subscribers at this time.

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INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is PCI [] contacted by SA
THOMAS W. PARRISH.

CG T-2 is [] by request, contacted by
SA THOMAS W. PARRISH.

CG T-3 is [] Chesapeake Telephone
Company, Hartsford, West Virginia.

CG T-4 is [] contacted by SA THOMAS W.
PARRISH.

CG T-5 is [] by request, contacted by
SA THOMAS W. PARRISH.

CG T-6 is [] contacted by SAs []
[] and THOMAS W. PARRISH.

CG T-7 is [] Internal Revenue Service
Agent, Harvey, Illinois, contacted by SA THOMAS W. PARRISH.

CG T-8 is [] by request, contacted by
SA THOMAS W. PARRISH and SA []

CG T-9 is [] contacted by SA []
[] and SA THOMAS W. PARRISH.

CG T-10 is [] Chicago Heights Police
Department, by request, contacted by SAs THOMAS W. PARRISH
and []

CG T-11 is [] contacted by SA []
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CG T-12 is PCI [] contacted by SA
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA THOMAS W. PARRISH

Office: Chicago

Date: 6/17/63

Field Office File #: 92-920

Bureau File #: 92-5793

Title: FRANK LA PORTE

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Subject has returned to the Illinois area after living with sister in Linden, California. On 5/9/63 subject was given a speeding citation by Illinois State Police near his Flossmoore, Illinois residence. His attorney appeared at the Justice of the Peace hearing and paid fine. Subject continues to frequent the residence of his paramour in Riverdale, Illinois. Information regarding subject's interest in legitimate enterprises set forth. Illegal activities of subject and his associates and partners as furnished by informants reported.

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DETAILS:

I. RESIDENCE

By communication dated April 26, 1963, the San Francisco Office advised that the subject arrived in Linden, California, sometime around the weekend of March 30-31, 1963, and stayed at the home of his sister, JENNY GUADAGNOLO, until about April 10 or 11, 1963, when he left for about one week and returned sometime around April 16 or 17, 1963. Sources in that area indicate that the subject allegedly went to Nevada during the missing week but the exact location in Nevada was not determined. No visitors or parties were received while the subject was at the GUADAGNOLO residence. The subject's mode of travel is unknown but apparently while in Linden, he used a 1962 Pontiac automobile.

Chief RICHARD PAULING, Flossmoor, Illinois, Police Department, advised that recently the subject, on occasion, appears at his residence, 1730 Cambridge Road, Flossmoor, Illinois. He appears to have no regular hours and had never been reported observed at his residence by any officers of the police department. The officers had previously been instructed to report any activities at the subject's or his relatives' residences. The only indication that LA PORTE does frequent his residence is based on the fact that the subject's 1963 bronze Electra 225 Buick is observed in the driveway of his residence or next door at the residence of his brother-in-law, TED BARTUSIEWICZ.

On May 9, 1963, the subject received a speeding citation from the Illinois State Police. The police report indicates that the arrest was made at Ridge Road and Halsted in Homewood, Illinois, at approximately 3:30 AM. This location is roughly two miles from the subject's Flossmoor residence.

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II. HEALTH

CG T-1 advised that the subject's nephew and chauffeur, FRANK LUZI, told the source that the subject continues to be in poor health as a result of a heart attack in December, 1962. According to LUZI, the subject continues to drink excessively on occasions but has recently been chauffeuring himself rather than have his associates drive him to his various hangouts. The source advised that LUZI would not reveal any of the locations that the subject usually frequents.

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III. RELATIVES

Sergeant [REDACTED] Cook County States Attorney's Police, Chicago, Illinois, advised that the subject's brother-in-law, ANTHONY (TONY) FRANZE, had been indicted by the Cook County Grand Jury for his participation in the gambling operation of the Tally-Ho Club, Burnham, Illinois. The case has received several continuations and a trial date has not yet been established.

Spot checks of the FRANZE residence reflect that the for sale sign previously placed there by the Solomon Realty Company, Homewood, Illinois, has been removed from the premises. It is not known if the property has been sold or whether it has been withdrawn from the market.

CG T-2 advised that the subject's wife, MARGARET, was formerly a hostess for various Calumet City "strip" houses. Her main responsibility was to teach "B girls" how to dance, "mooch" drinks, and prostitute themselves. To the source's knowledge MARGARET LA PORTE was never a prostitute herself.

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Date 5/31/63

Records of [REDACTED]
Harvey, Illinois, contain the following [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]

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On 5/21/63 at Harvey, Illinois File # CG 92-920
by SA THOMAS W. PARRISH/jas Date dictated 5/27/63

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[REDACTED] Harvey, Illinois.

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Harvey, Illinois, contain the following [redacted]

[redacted]

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Date 5/31/631

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On May 5, 1963, [redacted] was married at the Catholic Church in Flossmoor, Illinois. The following automobiles were observed as being in the vicinity of the wedding and the individuals were observed leaving these automobiles and entering the church:

989-090

[redacted]
Chicago Heights, Illinois,
Rambler

BF 7764

International Hod Carriers,
427 North Chicago Street,
Joliet, Illinois,
Buick

974-683

[redacted]
Chicago Heights, Illinois,
Oldsmobile

9 71-228

[redacted]
Oaklawn, Illinois,
Chevrolet

911-565

[redacted]
Chicago Heights, Illinois,
Oldsmobile

975-834

[redacted]
Flossmoor, Illinois,
Buick

888-094

[redacted]
Joliet, Illinois,
Oldsmobile

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[REDACTED]

Riverside, Illinois,
Rambler

975-835

[REDACTED]

Beecher, Illinois,
Chevrolet

105-934

[REDACTED]

Chicago, Illinois,
Cadillac

109-909

[REDACTED]

Melrose Park, Illinois,
Pontiac

336-603

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Illinois,
Cadillac

AR-3322

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Illinois,
Oldsmobile

105-834

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Illinois,
Chevrolet

912-411

[REDACTED]

Homewood, Illinois,
Plymouth

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Chicago Heights, Illinois,
Oldsmobile

HT 3784

FRANK LUZI,
212 West 29th Place,
South Chicago Heights, Illinois

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IV. ASSOCIATES

[REDACTED]
Riverdale, Illinois

On May 28, 1963, spot checks of [REDACTED] residence reflected that a 1963 bronze Electra 225 Buick, bearing 1963 Illinois license, Dealer 1718, was observed parked near to [REDACTED] 1961 Rambler at her residence address. This Buick is similar in every respect to the automobile driven by the subject.

In addition, it is noted that during his arrest by the Illinois State Police on a speeding violation, the subject's Buick was bearing the same number dealer plate which is registered to Jack Brown Buick, Chicago Heights, Illinois. Previous interview of [REDACTED] reflected that the subject purchased the Buick from his agency.

A surveillance reflected that both cars remained parked in the same location throughout the entire day and evening. A check in the early morning of May 29, 1963, revealed that neither automobile was observed in the parking lot of [REDACTED] apartment building. The Buick has not been observed in the area since the above date.

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1Date 4/26/63

Records of [redacted]
Riverdale, Illinois, contain [redacted]
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made available only upon the issuance of a subpoena duces
tecum addressed to [redacted]
[redacted] Riverdale, Illinois.

On 4/16/63 at Riverdale, Illinois File # CG 92-920
by SA THOMAS W. PARRISH/jas Date dictated 4/22/63

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The following investigation was conducted by SA
JOHN D. CROTTY at Michigan City, Indiana, on April 29, 1963:

It was ascertained that telephone number TRIangle
2-8595 is listed to the Sheridan Glamour and Health Spa Center,
Michigan City.

Detective Captain [redacted] Michigan City
Police Department, advised the Sheridan Glamour and Health
Spa Center is owned and operated by IRVING HEIMAN. He said
HEIMAN had no record with the Michigan City Police Department
and the health spa center caters to wealthy women who stay
there for periods of time to take milk baths and go on reducing
diets. He said HEIMAN is originally from Chicago and that all
of his connections seem to be there. However, Captain [redacted]
said he knew nothing derogatory concerning HEIMAN.

[redacted] Credit Bureau of Michigan City,
advised that IRVING and SYLVIA HEIMAN operate the Sheridan
Glamour and Health Spa Center which caters primarily to wealthy
Chicago female clientele. Little is known concerning the
HEIMANS, other than that their paying habits are good.

Records of the Associated Credit Bureau of America
reflect that SYLVIA L. HEIMAN, 821 Lake Shore Drive, Michigan
City, Indiana, has been known to the files of the credit bureau
since 1956. They are listed as the owner of the Beauty Spa and
have been associated with this type of occupation for eighteen
years. There are no collection accounts in the file and their
credit appears to be satisfactory.

Mr. HEIMAN is identified as 41 years of age in 1946,
and is married to SELMA HEIMAN with three children. His residence
in 1946 was listed as 6249 Winthrop, Chicago, Illinois. At that
time Mr. HEIMAN was employed by Abbott Liquor, 2127 Howard
Street, Chicago, as a salesman. His salary was \$600 per month,
plus bonus. His bank is the Evanston Trust Company, which refused
information concerning his financial standing. The inquiry had
been made of Carson Company, Chicago, Illinois.

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CG T-3 advised SA [] on April 30, 1963, that Clarksburg, West Virginia telephone number 622-8105 is a special non-listed number for Mrs. HARLEY G. WOLFE, 246 Haymond Highway, Clarksburg. She is a widow and is also known as JESSIE WOLFE. The current telephone directory reflects she also has Clarksburg number 622-3668 listed at the same address.

[] Credit Bureau, Inc., Clarksburg, advised that her files reflect that HARLEY G. WOLFE died in 1954 at age 57. He had been employed by the Masters Glass Company, Clarksburg. At time of death, he was residing in Bridgeport, West Virginia, a suburb of Clarksburg. His wife is the former []. He had a good credit rating and the file contained nothing derogatory.

On April 30, 1963, the files of the Clarksburg Police Department, Harrison County Sheriff's Office, and the Clarksburg Office of the West Virginia State Police were checked and no record was found for WOLFE.

The current telephone directory for Clarksburg reflects the subscriber to 623-0387 is [] Liberty Addition, Clarksburg. Credit Bureau files reflect he is employed as a foreman at the Hazel Atlas Glass Company Division of the Continental Can Company, Clarksburg. His wife, [] is employed as a Nurses Aid, St. Mary's Hospital, Clarksburg. He has had a very poor credit rating with 102 suits entered against him for non-payment of bills between 1934 and 1957. Since then his record has improved.

No record was found for [] at the Harrison County Sheriff's Office or the West Virginia State Police, Clarksburg. The Clarksburg Police Department files reflect POSEY was fined \$19.50 for speeding on April 25, 1959. Files indicate he is about 59 years of age.

By communication dated May 9, 1963, the Philadelphia Office advised that telephone number CR 2-1000 was subscribed to by the Chestnut Hill Hospital, Chestnut Hill, Pennsylvania.

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[redacted]
Markham, Illinois

Previous information reported that the subject, Chicago Alderman of the 25th Ward, VITO MARZULLO and [redacted] are close personal friends and in frequent contact with each other.

On May 20, 1963, [redacted] was interviewed on Western Avenue in Blue Island, Illinois. He advised that he is a close personal friend of Alderman MARZULLO and that he is also acquainted with FRANK LA PORTE. He stated that to his knowledge MARZULLO does not know FRANK LA PORTE and that he has never had any conversation with him or been in his company.

[redacted] stated he has not seen FRANK LA PORTE in over two years and emphatically denied that he had ever accompanied MARZULLO and LA PORTE to any place or had they ever been together.

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He repeatedly explained that Alderman MARZULLO was extremely honest and would have nothing to do with a "hoodlum" like LA PORTE. [redacted] stated that he had little knowledge of FRANK LA PORTE and that he only knew him slightly. He has never worked for LA PORTE or did any favors for him. He met LA PORTE when he was the Chief of Police at Markham, Illinois, when LA PORTE wanted to open gambling in Markham, and he refused to allow it.

He denied that he has ever traveled for LA PORTE and stated that he would do nothing to further hoodlum interests. He denied that he had been fired or discharged from the Illinois State Police but stated that he resigned from the State Police because of poor health.

He stated that he had formerly been the chauffeur for former governors of Illinois, [redacted] and that because of this he remained honest throughout numerous years with the Illinois Police Department.

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[] stated that he was forced to terminate the interview because of a previous appointment.

~~GUS~~ RUBINO
186th and Dixie Highway
Homewood, Illinois

CG T-4 advised that GUS RUBINO owes [] \$9,000. [] is the owner of Foremost Liquors in Dixmoor, Illinois. This business was recently bombed and insurance payments are being withheld on the theory that it might have been self-inflicted.

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According to the informant, [] recently obtained a \$9,000 judgment against RUBINO. The judgment was ignored by LA PORTE in return for the promises that RUBINO and LA PORTE would make contracts and "fix" [] case in federal court regarding theft of whiskey from interstate shipment. [] was subsequently found guilty of a theft from interstate shipment and was sentenced to one hour in the custody of the United States Marshal, by United States District Judge MICHAEL L. IGOE, Chicago, Illinois.

CG T-4 advised that in March of 1963, RUBINO and LA PORTE and other known hoodlums met at Babe's Truck Stop in Blue Island, Illinois. The purpose of the meeting was unknown to the informant.

RUBINO became involved in financial trouble with the owner of the building where he had previously operated the Show Lounge in Dixmoor, Illinois. RUBINO is now in the used car business on the south side of Chicago and it is the informant's opinion that RUBINO is possibly handling numerous stolen cars.

CG T-4 later advised that RUBINO has been observed as a frequent visitor of coffee shops of the Dixie Governor Motel in East Hazelcrest, Illinois. The informant advised that he has heard "rumors" that RUBINO is offering "outfit juice money" to the owners so that they can avoid bankruptcy.

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On June 3, 1963, Captain [redacted] Sheriff's Office, Homewood, Illinois, advised that the management of the Dixie Governor's Motel had advised him that they are leasing the entire property to a group of individuals from Chicago. He advised that he does not know the name of the owner or the financial circumstances which allowed them to obtain the lease.

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Captain [redacted] advised that the Dixie Governor's Motel is probably the most elaborate operation in south Cook County and that it has facilities for 120 resident guests and has several large halls which can accommodate parties of 400 people.

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FRANK LUZI
212 West 29th Place
South Chicago Heights, Illinois

On May 3, 1963 Chief Investigator for the Cook County States Attorney's Office, Chicago, Illinois, [redacted] advised that FRANK LUZI and his partner [redacted] were arrested by officers of his command on a bribery charge. He advised that the bonding license could not be revoked except by the Chief Justice of the Criminal Courts, Cook County, after conviction for the crime charged. [redacted] said the bribe offer had been made during the middle of April by [redacted] and that there was no indication that LUZI was involved until the actual arrest. [redacted] stated that the conversations between the Justice of Peace and LUZI and [redacted] were tape recorded and he feels confident that such evidence is admissible in court.

The May 5, 1963 edition of the "Chicago Heights Star", a bi-weekly newspaper, carried the following article:

Two bail bondsmen have been charged with offering a bribe to LA VAIN H. STALEY, Sauk Village Police Magistrate, in an attempt to transfer a probation.

Arrested by state's attorney's police were [redacted] 32, of [redacted] Calumet Park, and FRANK LUZI, 36, of 212 West 29th Place, South Chicago Heights.

The two are alleged to have offered \$200 to STALEY to transfer probation of [redacted] 32, from Illinois to Alabama.

The two bondsmen had formerly written bail bonds as agents for Cosmopolitan Insurance Company and LUZI is a nephew of FRANK LA PORTE, alleged crime syndicate leader. The two are among 43 Cosmopolitan agents whose licenses are being held up in criminal court of Cook County by the state's attorney. Cosmopolitan Insurance Company is now in state rehabilitation proceedings.

On May 12, 1963 Captain [redacted] Cook County Sheriff's Police, Homewood, Illinois, advised that [redacted] appeared in his office and requested an application for employment, stating that he again desired to become involved in police work. [redacted] advised the captain that he had formerly been a deputy under a previous administration at the Homewood Sheriff's Office. [redacted] at that time stated that the bribery charge was false and stated that he knew nothing regarding LUZI's association with the so called criminal syndicate. Captain NOBLE stated he refused to give [redacted] an application.

CG T-1 advised on April 29, 1963 that FRANK LUZI advised him that the following morning he was going to pick up his "uncle" and two "big shot politicians" and drive them to Chicago. A physical surveillance was conducted on LUZI and he was observed leaving the Chicago Heights area and proceeding northward to Flossmoor, Illinois. He was observed turning into the semi-private road where FRANK LA PORTE resides and approximately 15 minutes later was observed leaving the road with FRANK LA PORTE as a passenger. He immediately began driving his Buick at speeds of over 100 miles an hour on residential streets and because of heavy traffic and danger to neighborhood children the surveillance was discontinued. The car was last observed proceeding north toward Chicago. It is not known if they later stopped and picked up additional passengers.

By correspondence dated May 27, 1963 the Springfield Division advised:

On May 13, 1963, [redacted] Secretary to [redacted] Supervisor of License Division, Illinois Department of Insurance, advised they could find no records of F & L Bonding Company. She did advise that FRANK LUZI held agent's license number 43972, furnishing his address as 212 East 29th Place, South Chicago Heights. She stated he was licensed as a broker March 1, 1962, that the license was renewed March 1, 1963. On the same date he was granted and had renewed a license as an agent with Cosmopolitan Insurance Company.

[redacted] advised [redacted]
[redacted] Chicago 43, Illinois, held license number 43933,
issued on March 1, 1962, and renewed on March 1, 1963
as an agent with the Cosmopolitan Insurance Company. He
also presently holds a broker's license.

She stated that licenses for companies handling
bail bonds were issued by the Chicago Office of the
Department of Insurance and that the desired information
could possibly be obtained by contacting [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted]
Chicago Heights, Illinois

CG T-5 advised that (FNU) [redacted] operates
an Early American motif restaurant and lounge just south
of United States Highway 30 at the Illinois Indiana state
line. CG T-5 advised [redacted] has been approached by
[redacted] of Chicago Heights regarding the loan
of money to help the restaurant from going bankrupt.
CG T-5 overheard conversation indicating that [redacted]
and his two brothers, through the support of FRANK LA PORTE,
have loans out to many taverns along Illinois State
Route 83 in South Cook County, Illinois. CG T-5 was of
the understanding that the "syndicate" loaned the money
on the theory and hope tha the newly elected sheriff would
not enforce closing laws and/or forbid prostitution and
that the various taverns and lounges would be able to pay
the usurious interest rate required by LA PORTE and his
associates. Because of strict law enforcement at the
county the owners of the taverns have been unable to make
their payments and the indication is that [redacted]

[redacted] had kidnapped one of the persons involved
as an example to the remaining ones to find some way of
repaying the money owed to LA PORTE. It is noted that
an unidentified body was located near Matteson, Illinois
in May, 1963. Captain [redacted] Cook County's Major
Investigative Unit, advised that because of decomposition
no identification had been made to date. Cook County
Coroner's Office is of the opinion that death occurred
approximately the middle of February, 1963 and was caused

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by several severe blows to the skull. The location of the body is near the area where above informant indicated several tavern owners were on "juice". There is no concrete information that the body is in any way connected with the information furnished by the informant and there is no report that any tavern owner in the area is missing. [redacted] was the registered owner of a .38 caliber snub nose revolver in the house of FRANK LA PORTE, 1961, following an alleged suicide attempt by Mrs. LA PORTE.

[redacted] Joliet, Illinois, is a close relative of a Chicago Heights family and his daughter is married to FRANK LUZI, nephew of FRANK LA PORTE.

[redacted] owns the D'Andre Construction Company and has done a majority of the street repairs and sewer construction for the city of Chicago Heights, Illinois. Another close relative of the family is Captain [redacted] of the Chicago Heights Police Department. It has been alleged that Captain [redacted] was arrested and convicted of counterfeiting in southern Illinois in early 1930. This information has not been verified to date. It was further alleged that Captain D'ANDRE has assisted [redacted] former Chicago Heights policemen in the burglaries of various Chicago Heights businesses.

RALPH EMERY
848 Memorial Drive
Chicago Heights, Illinois

CG T-6 advised that RALPH EMERY continues to appear more prominent in "outfit" circles because of LA PORTE's excessive drinking and consistent absence from the area. The informant stated that [redacted] a girlfriend of RALPH EMERY, has appeared extremely upset recently and has suggested that she would like to leave EMERY, however, she was afraid to because he was a killer. She further stated, "I've seen it before". According to the informant, EMERY goes to the Loop area of Chicago once a week where he meets other members of the Chicago underworld. The trips are usually made on

different days and at various early morning hours. Informant stated that [] a day time bartender at the Dixie Governor Motel, East Hazelcrest, Illinois, advised that EMERY appeared at the "Cotton Pickin" Lounge of the motel and raised a considerable "fuss" regarding the cigarette machines and the jukeboxes in the lounge.

[] musician at the Vagabound Lounge, at the Thomas Hotel, Chicago Heights, Illinois, was overheard pleading with RALPH EMERY to give him more time to pay an amount of money. EMERY informed him that he had very little time left. Informant states that although [] supposedly owns the lounge, the lounge is actually owned by RALPH EMERY who could not afford to have it in his name because of tax problems.

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The April 24, 1963 edition of the "Chicago Heights Star," a bi-weekly newspaper, contained an article which reads in part as follows:

Owners of three Chicago hotels purchased the Thomas Hotel, 1703 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois and revealed plans for extensive changes. Buyer of the hotel was Albert Fromm and Son of Chicago. He said that over \$100,000 will be spent remodeling the hotel and lounge. The Fromm firm has been operating hotels for the past 21 years.

CG T-7 advised that the Internal Revenue Service of the Treasury Department is expected to levy a lien against the Regal Vending Company inasmuch as RALPH EMERY is listed as a partner of the firm which handles jukeboxes and tobacco vending machines.

The April 18, 1963 edition of the "Chicago Daily News", a daily newspaper, contains an article which reads in part as follows:

RALPH EMERY, 53, Chicago Heights gambler, has surrendered to federal agents after a week-long search and has appeared before the Federal Grand Jury. EMERY

had been sought since last Tuesday when 300 federal agents raided handbooks and wirerooms in South Cook County.

He surrendered Wednesday and appeared before the jury for only five minutes.

The United States Marshal's Office listed his home address as 848 Memorial Drive, Chicago Heights. EMERY is a reputed lieutenant of FRANK LA PORTE, Chief of syndicate gambling in South Cook County.

CG T-8 advised that RALPH EMERY is of considerable importance in the South Cook County syndicate. He stated that for the past several years EMERY has owned a considerable share in the following striptease joints located in Chicago, Illinois:

The Crossroads
Chez-Dot
Showboat
Cabana
Silver Frolics

Informant stated that he is positive of this ownership inasmuch as he previously furnished several girls to work at these strip joints as dancers and prostitutes and that while he has been in the various night clubs, RALPH EMERY would walk in and everyone in the place immediately paid him complete respect that they give only to the owners. In addition, he has observed EMERY obtained small bags which contained money and take them to his car. Most of the collections or payoffs would be made at the Crossroads on south Wabash, Chicago. The other clubs would bring the proceeds to the Crossroads and EMERY and other unknown individuals would collect their share from this area. He advised that he would attempt to recall the names of some of the girls who might verify the information he has furnished.

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[redacted]
Chicago Heights, Illinois

Investigation at the Chicago Heights National Bank reflects that [redacted] is employed as a route man for the Cooperative Music Company, Chicago Heights, Illinois. Records reflect that he is paid a salary of \$87.50 per week plus a small car allowance. Subject has been observed on numerous occasions driving a 1963 Buick, Electra 225, bearing Illinois license 924724 which number is registered to [redacted] is a first cousin of [redacted] Identification Officer of the Chicago Heights Police Department.

AL ROSSETTI
10409 St. Lawrence

JOE GUZZINO
1065 Wentworth
Calumet City, Illinois

JIMMY CUTURO

CG T-9 advised on May 23, 1963, that he had previously been in contact with JOE GUZZINO whom he described as a big time gambler from Calumet City. GUZZINO told him that AL ROSSETTI and JIMMY "THE BOMBER" CUTURO and himself had been in Las Vegas during the month of May. He did not state the purpose of their trip to Las Vegas, but indicated that he had previously been in that area with FRANK LA PORTE. It is noted elsewhere in this report that FRANK LA PORTE allegedly left the residence of his sister in Linden, California to travel to Nevada, during the early part of May, 1963. It has previously been reported that AL ROSSETTI accompanied FRANK LA PORTE by train from San Francisco to Joliet, Illinois, in 1961. Informant gained the impression from speaking with GUZZINO that the three of them were going to Las Vegas to look over possible gambling interests which they and their associates are involved in.

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AL PILOTTO
1 Country Club Lane
Olympia Fields, Illinois

The April 11, 1963 edition of the "Chicago Tribune", a daily newspaper, contains an article which reads in part as follows:

AL PILOTTO, a former hod carrier union official, was questioned yesterday by federal prosecutors in the wake of gambling raids by 300 agents.

PILOTTO was described as one of two crime syndicate gamblers who evaded the agents in their raids Tuesday on two multimillion dollar horse betting rings in southern Cook County.

"We talked about the weather," PILOTTO said as he left the federal courthouse after a 40 minute session with FRANK J. KIERNAN, Assistant United States Attorney in charge of the special prosecution unit dealing with organized crime.

"I don't know anything about the gambling operations in Chicago Heights," PILOTTO said.

Supervisors of the vast gambling operations have been named by federal officials as FRANK LA PORTE and GEORGE "BABE" TUFFANELLI.

PILOTTO testified as defense witness in the 1960 income tax trial of TONY ACCARDO. He was also formerly a chauffeur for FRANK LA PORTE.

The May 13, 1963 edition of the "Chicago Tribune" contains an article which reads in part as follows:

ALFRED PILOTTO holds daily office hours at Local 5 of the Hod Carriers Union, although he insists he has not been connected with union affairs since an election last year removed him as local president. Some members of the union assert that PILOTTO is still the boss

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of the Local and commands final decisions in union matters. The members, who do not want to be identified, have complained of PILOTTO's continued power.

During his career, PILOTTO has worked for a handbook, operated taverns, and consorted with chiefs of the crime syndicate. He has been a bricklayer, a hod carrier, and a stockholder in coin machine and jukebox businesses.

V. LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT
STATE OF TEXAS

Chief of Police JEROME STEVENSON, Olympia Fields, Illinois Police Department, advised that he had been in contact with an unnamed associate of FRANK LA PORTE's who stated that LA PORTE has a large financial interest in a big housing development in the state of Texas and that he has not or does not intend to declare any income as far as the Internal Revenue Service is concerned. Chief STEVENSON stated that he was unable to obtain any additional information regarding the location of the operation of the housing development. It is noted in another section of this report, that a phone call from the residence of the subject's brother-in-law, TED BARTUSIEWICZ, who made a phone call from Chicago to San Antonio, Texas, Area Code 512, number GE 3-9786, on March 27, 1963.

CG T-2 advised that he had learned that during the latter part of April, FRANK LA PORTE traveled to his sister's house in Linden, California and that he made stops in Nevada and Texas. Informant stated he had no information as to the exact locations at which the subject stopped.

WILCO MUSIC AND TOBACCO COMPANY
Joliet, Illinois

CG T-4 advised that approximately one year ago, the subject's brother-in-laws JIMMY ROSS and MARTY PULCINI complained bitterly to LA PORTE that they should be allowed to run the Wilco Music Company on their own from its headquarters in Joliet, Illinois. The firm had previously been operated under the management of another brother-in-law FRANK FRANZE from the Cooperative Music Company in Chicago Heights, Illinois. LA PORTE agreed and as a result of the non-business abilities of ROSS and PULCINI the Wilco Music Company is now involved in considerable credit difficulties and several large

legitimate firms are refusing to give credit to Wilco. Two of them are the Match Corporation of America and the Continental APCO, Incorporated, 5000 Brushhollow Road, West Berry, Long Island, New York. The credit inquiries from these companies indicate that Wilco is buying a rather large amount of products at one time which to the informant indicates that the company may be merging with another organization. Informant stated that because of the financial trouble that the two brothers-in-law placed Wilco in, LA PORTE has now returned control of the company to FRANK FRANZE of Cooperative. The informant was of the opinion that Wilco has sufficient funds and is in no financial danger other than general mis-management.

SUN VALLEY SPORTSMAN CLUB
Crete, Illinois

On May 3, 1963 [redacted] Owner, Chandler Construction Company, 3699 Sauk Trail, Richton Park, Illinois, advised that he was the prime contractor of the \$175,000 Sun Valley resort which is located in Crete, Illinois. He advised that at the time he took the contract for the construction he did not realize that it was being built with "hoodlum funds". Once contracts were signed, it became very obvious to him that he was dealing with rather unsavory individuals. He worked with [redacted] an attorney in Chicago Heights. He advised that he has avoided any contact with any of the several owners whenever possible. He stated that the only other person that he had business dealings with was a [redacted] (phonetic). These two appeared to have the most funds behind the group. After he completed the structure it took him over one year to get the last \$20,000 from them and they were constantly deducting sums of \$4,000 and \$5,000 for advertising property without consent. He stated that the entire operation was a "hodge podge", in an effort to avoid paying fees to legitimate architects for proper drawing. After starting the construction he was soon told by other associates that [redacted] was a hoodlum attorney and that the money for the place was probably FRANK LA PORTE's and that he should be careful.

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[] stated that because of the circumstances he was forced to receive part of his payment as stock in the club even though he did not care to become involved. He has no other information regarding financing of the property and stated that he would certainly never again take a building consignment from such people because they force a legitimate firm to lose money.

[] Manager, Sun Valley Sportsman Club, advised SAs THOMAS W. PARRISH and [] on June 3, 1963 that he has been affiliated with the club for approximately one and a half years. He is part owner of the club and there are approximately 14 other stockholders. He acknowledged that most of the financing was done by [] and

[] an electrical contractor in Chicago Heights, Illinois. He denied that FRANK LA PORTE had any funds invested and further that LA PORTE is a member or has ever used the recreation hall swimming pool or other other facilities of the club. The purpose of the club is for family type entertainment and includes a trap shooting range, swimming pool, tennis courts, picnic areas and a bar and restaurant. The future plans call for the establishment of a three hole golf course and putting greens. [] admitted that he had previously been the manager and financially involved in the operation of Little Jacks Restaurant in Joliet, Illinois. He further admitted that the restaurant had burned down approximately three years ago. The fire was started as a result of arson. He denied that he or any person owning any part of the restaurant had set fire to the premises for the purpose of collecting insurance. He admitted that FRANCIS CURRY, a lieutenant of FRANK LA PORTE, in Joliet, Illinois, was a frequent visitor to the restaurant. He denied that CURRY owned any part of the restaurant or that hoodlum meetings were conducted on the premises. He stated he had no papers or documents available naming the other members who owned the Sportsman Club but that all were well known and respected businessmen in the Chicago Heights area. He denied that any gambling operations were conducted in any part of the club's facilities and stated that he has

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never been approached by any individuals requesting the privilege of putting in slot machines or any other gambling devices. [] offered to allow the agents to view all portions of the club stating he was positive they would find nothing of an illegal nature. He denied that he was personally acquainted with FRANK LA PORTE or that he had ever received any type of instructions or orders personally or otherwise from LA PORTE or any member of the syndicate. He stated that in his opinion [] was certainly no hoodlum and that he was a highly respected lawyer who did some practice of criminal law.

CIMINI BEER DISTRIBUTORS
1429 Wallace Avenue
Chicago Heights, Illinois

CG T-10 advised that the subject's brother-in-law, TONY FRANZE, had approached a driver for the Budweiser Distributing Company in Homewood, Illinois. He requested that the driver come to work as a driver for the Cimini Company because he has now become associated with it and the driver would be able to make himself additional money.

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CG T-4 advised that he has determined that Cimini Beer Company as of October 17, 1962 was a wholesale beer distributing company which is owned by [] and []. Sales are estimated at \$135,000 and the operation was listed as profitable. They distribute Carlings and Tavern Pale Beer to 14 taverns and a liquor store in Chicago Heights, Illinois and the vicinity. They have three trucks and their sales to customers are on a 100% basis. There are only two employees. The father of the present owners was born in Italy in 1895 and is now a United States citizen. He started the business in 1933 and continued sole ownership till becoming incorporated in 1962.

WHY NOT RESTAURANT
Dixie Highway
Chicago Heights, Illinois

Captain [] Cook County Sheriff's Office,

Homewood, Illinois, advised that he had been conducting under cover operations at various taverns and restaurants in the Chicago Heights area. He stated his agents have been unable to determine positively that prostitution is being carried on at the Why Not Restaurant. He has learned from unknown sources that [] former manager of the Oaks Motel, Calumet City, Illinois, is the behind the scenes operator of the Why Not. It is noted that previous information indicates that FRANK LA PORTE was the actual owner of the Oaks Motel and that [] has been associated with LA PORTE in various other ventures.

On May 21, 1963 and subsequent dates, a 1962 Lincoln Cosmopolitan automobile was observed at the Why Not Restaurant prior to its opening for business.

By communication dated May 29, 1963, the Indianapolis Office advised that the owner of the license plate was listed as [] Gary, Indiana for 1963. Records of the Operators License file, Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Indianapolis, Indiana reflect that LARGO is described as white female, hazel eyes, 165 pounds, black hair, 5'3" tall, date of birth July 30, 1918. Records of the Logen Port, Indiana Police Department contain an anonymous letter advising that [] is a procurer for his wife [] and has two other girls working for him. This letter was postmarked June 15, 1961. Information previously developed that [] has worked for four known madames.

Chief JOHN FOLEY, Gary, Indiana Police Department, advised that [] were arrested on August 25, 1952 for prostitution activities in Gary, Indiana.

Chief of Police CASIMER LINKIEWICZ, Calumet City, Illinois advised that [] is an old time madame and prostitute who has worked at various "syndicate"

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operations in Calumet City for many years. He advised that if her presence is observed in any particular tavern or club, it is a good possibility that prostitution activities are being carried on at the premises. The Chief further stated that he understood that [redacted] with LA PORTE's backing, is attempting to take over the Why Not Restaurant in Chicago Heights. He said he had heard that the Why Not Restaurant previously was notorious for serving liquor to minors and that it has been closed on several occasions because of this.

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VI. ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

Captain HENRY, Commanding Officer, District 4, Illinois State Police, advised on May 9, 1963 that at 3:30 AM on May 9, 1963 Trooper [REDACTED] Number 961, stopped an individual in a 1963 bronze Buick automobile bearing dealer's license 1718. He was going 60 miles an hour in a 45 mile an hour speed zone at Ridge Road and Halsted Street in suburban Cook County. The individual driving furnished driver's license number L 163-2600-1287, identifying him as FRANK LA PORTE, 1728 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois. A citation was given to this individual to appear May 23, 1963 before Justice of Peace GEORGE LASHNIE, Homewood, Illinois.

Trooper [REDACTED] advised that after stopping the individual identified as FRANK LA PORTE, he told him that he was driving the car at excessive speeds. The individual said nothing but handed him his driver's license and [REDACTED] proceeded to make out a citation for the excessive speed. He had no further conversation or contact with the individual and noticed no signs or indications that the driver was intoxicated or otherwise out of order in any manner. He was alone in the car and following the presentation of the citation he immediately continued his route south toward Flossmoor.

GEORGE LASHNIE, Justice of Peace, Homewood, Illinois, advised on May 23, 1963 that he was familiar with the citation given FRANK LA PORTE, however, there was nothing within his jurisdiction which would compel LA PORTE to personally appear before his court. He stated it was the usual procedure for a defendant's attorney to appear and plead guilty to the charge and pay the small fines which are normally incurred.

On May 23, 1963 [REDACTED] appeared before Judge LASHNIE and stated that he was representing FRANK LA PORTE and entered the plea of guilty to the speeding charge. It is noted that Judge LASHNIE fined LA PORTE \$10.00 and \$5.00 cost.

CG T-1 advised on April 26, 1963 that [redacted] nephews of [redacted] came to Calumet City, Illinois about 1953 from New York City. When they first arrived they formed the F & L Bonding Company and were supposedly bitter enemies with FRANK LA PORTE. After a few months they formed an alliance with LA PORTE and the bonding business was turned over to LA PORTE's nephew FRANK LUZI. The [redacted] were then apparently given some control over the gambling operations in the Calumet City area. The informant advised that [redacted] is presently a book operator and is a close watcher for LA PORTE's operations, in south Cook County. On one occasion, several years ago, informant accompanied [redacted] to the Coral Club at 127th and Ashland Avenue, at which time a big gambling game was being run at the location. [redacted] worked in and checked the books to see if everything was being run properly. Source stated that [redacted] has his "fingers" in the horse booking operations at Calumet City, Illinois. He pulled out of the horse book about four months ago at which time the [redacted] boys took over all booking operations in Calumet City, Illinois.

[redacted] runs Whileys Restaurant and Bar in Calumet City, however, he believes that LA PORTE may have a piece of the place as LA PORTE was observed there on opening day. It is being operated by [redacted] brother-in-law of [redacted] appears to be just an employee and has no say in the business. According to the latest information, [redacted] has left the Calumet City area because of the recent "heat" and is believed to be at a vacation spot north of Mercer, Wisconsin. Informant stated that he is familiar with [redacted] who has one arm and is an attorney at Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] is presently attempting to sell the Oaks Motel at Calumet City, Illinois. The informant advised that [redacted] are running the Brown Derby at Thornton, Illinois. The operation appears to be on the up and up.

CG T-1 advised that [redacted] (phonetic) are undercover partners in a real estate venture at 111th and Union Avenue in

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Chicago. Recently, [] and one other unknown individual approached the owner of the Roseland Buick Company at 123rd and Michigan regarding the company changing companies that supply their mechanics, overalls and rags. They requested that the Acme or Apex Overall Company be allowed to handle the account. Shortly after the approach was made, the owner who was unknown to the informant, received a call from FRANK LUZI, nephew of FRANK LA PORTE, who stated [] was a friend of his and he would appreciate it if the owner would switch to his overall.

Informant states that Mr. Maxi, which was formerly known as Corral Club, at 127th and Ashland Avenue is now again operating as a syndicate gambling house. Although the place has a for sale sign on it gambling occurs when the lower part of the neon sign advertising the place was turned off. Informant said the code word is concerned with the words fine foods located at the bottom of the large neon sign. Another gambling operation is at Flees Lounge at 123rd and Green Street, Calumet Park, Illinois. A large poker game is usually held on weekends and is controlled by south side hoodlums. Informant advised that one of LA PORTE's bookie joints is operating at De Cotes Filling Station at 124th and Michigan in Calumet Park.

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CG T-12 advised on April 11, 1963 that he was recently at Hammond and Gary, Indiana and learned that the word in the area is that FRANK LA PORTE is running at the present time to keep away from the "G". Informant said that one of LA PORTE's lieutenants by the name of [] is running things in the area at the present time. [] is connected with Olympic Pool Hall, State Street, Hammond, Indiana, and [] was formerly an "old trigger man" for the outfit.

CG T-9 advised that JOE GUZZINO, a close associate of FRANK LA PORTE, is presently managing a bar bout game in Cicero, Illinois and that in recent weeks GUZZINO, AL ROSSETTI, JIMMY CUTURO and other unknown individuals traveled to Las Vegas, Nevada. The purpose of this trip was unknown to the informant but he assumes that it had something to do with LA PORTE's outfit. Informant advised that he was recently contacted by associates

of FNU [] who he described as an individual from Gary, Indiana who was recently sentenced to the federal penitentiary for a tax problem resulting from his policy operations. According to this associate, the informant and numerous other people are being contacted and advised that [] will pay \$2,000 a week to anyone who has enough influence with officials to get him placed on the prison farm. Informant further stated that [] and the person known as [] another policy king, are paying off approximately \$1,000 a week to keep their policy wheels in operation while they are serving prison terms.

By communication dated May 7, 1963 the Indianapolis Office advised that [] is a male Negro, 5'4", resides 1601 Massachusetts Street, Gary, Indiana and was indicted on March 13, 1963 by a Federal Grand Jury and charged with evading over \$900,000 in federal taxes. [] was the largest operator of policy wheels in Gary and operated the [] Gold Tornado Policy Wheel. On March 14, 1963 [] was released on \$5,000 bond. Both he and [] have entered not guilty pleas in United States District Court, Hammond. [] is represented by Attorney [] of Chicago, Illinois. The only Lake County, Indiana policy figure presently incarcerated is [] who is serving time at the federal penitentiary at Terre Haute, Indiana for income tax evasion. Informant advised he has personal knowledge that [] who is described as a "hit man" for the syndicate, was a close associate of [] who was formerly a bondsman for LA PORTE's nephew, FRANK LUZI.

Corporal [] Illinois State Police, advised that he has recently received information from a reliable source that a "big floating crap game" is being held at Bayles Lake, near Loda, Illinois. The game is allegedly operated by Chicago Heights hoodlums for the benefit of FRANK LA PORTE. The players are notified of the next game by means of a coded letter and entrance to the game requires presentation of the letter upon arrival in the club.

The club operations are managed by an individual named (FNU) [] previously of Chicago Heights, Illinois who operated a restaurant and bar in Wakseka, Illinois. It was alleged to have been financed by the Chicago Heights syndicate. According to Corporal [] source, [] son is an Assistant States Attorney in the area and possibly has information regarding the game but would not cooperate with any official inquiry. Captain HENRY, Commander, District 4, Illinois State Police, Crestwood, Illinois advised that he had recently taken command of the police post and had previously been assigned to the Springfield, Illinois area. He advised that he understood that illegal slot machines belonging to FRANK LA PORTE were being operated at the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Italian American Republican Club, the Polish American Democratic Club and the CIO Steel Workers Club in Chicago Heights, Illinois. He stated that he intends to attempt to raid these clubs and seize the machines in an effort to further financially harm and embarrass FRANK LA PORTE.

Information was furnished to Captain HENRY to the effect that sources had previously advised this office that the slot machines were in fact being operated and that in addition a large gambling game was being operated on the second floor at 6 Illinois Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois. The game is run on weekends and one must be known by the door man to be admitted. Captain HENRY stated he would attempt to develop information to the point that successful raids are being conducted against all the above places.

CG T-4 advised that he had been told by an old syndicate employee that FRANK LA PORTE and some Chicago hoodlums had several years ago sent two "bombers" to Miami Beach, Florida to bomb the Taran Music Company who was giving them some trouble. He stated that a relative of LA PORTE was one of the bombers who got careless and was burned to death in the resulting fire.

The following investigation was conducted by
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On April 23, 1963 [] Fire Prevention Bureau, City of Miami, Dinner Key, made available a report of fire dated June 15, 1947, which indicated that at 2:32 AM on June 15, 1947 a fire had occurred at the Taran Distributing Company, 170 N.W. 23rd Street, Miami, Florida. The Insurance Agency was listed as Michigan Miller Mutual - Imperial Insurance Agency.

[] was listed as the agent.

The cause of the fire was arson. The listed valuations were:

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| Building | \$20,000 |
| Contents | \$35,000 |
| Total | <u>\$55,000</u> |

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ESTIMATED DAMAGE

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| (Building) | \$10,000 |
| (contents) | \$25,000 |
| Total | <u>\$35,000</u> |

The report bore a notation "See confidential report filed in the Bureau of Fire Prevention."

[] stated that the confidential report would be made available only on the authorization of Inspector [] or Lieutenant []

On April 29, 1963 Inspector [] made available the confidential report on the Taran Distributing Company fire, which occurred on June 15, 1947.

This file reflected that the individual referred to as DE LARDO was actually ANTHONY DE LARDO, also known as DE LORTA, PEE GEE, who is white, male, age 36, in 1943, 5'7½", 155 pounds, medium build, dark hair, hazel eyes, sallow complexion, Chicago Police Department Number D 26328.

Concerning RALPH LA PORTE, Federal Bureau of Investigation Number 55 1073, who died as result of injuries

received in the fire, the following was furnished by the National Board of Fire Underwriters, and appears in the Bureau of Fire Prevention file.

Agents of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, interviewed MICHAEL CIFONE, a brother-in-law of RALPH LA PORTE. CIFONE in 1942, was an Investigator for the Legal Department, City of Chicago, and was previously employed by the Internal Revenue Service in Chicago, Illinois. CIFONE reported that LA PORTE had served fourteen years for Armed Robbery, and after he got out he received employment with the Atlas Brewery in Chicago. RALPH never married, and lived with his sister, [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois.

A preliminary report filed by A. M. WILLIS, Chief of the Bureau of Fire Prevention, outlined details of the fire, and stated that examination of the premises following the fire, revealed a heavy saturation of gasoline near the rear doors of the premises with cloth trailers being saturated and used as a trailer to provide initial fuel material and ignition.

An eight foot galvanized open bucket, containing rags thoroughly saturated with gasoline, was found immediately outside the double doors at the end of the trailer material. Rubber siphon hose was found dangling from the filler opening of a jeep parked on the premises. Several neighbors reported seeing and hearing a man run from the scene, immediately after an explosion which preceded the fire, and this individual was screaming in pain or fright or both.

From a careful examination of the file, the motive for its being set, is not clear. however, there are allegations made primarily by [REDACTED] the operator of Taran Distributors, that one [REDACTED] and others in Chicago, were attempting to ruin [REDACTED] financially so as to take over for the benefit of some of their relatives, his Wurlitzer Jukebox Distributorship. It was for this reason, [REDACTED] felt that [REDACTED] was the moving figure behind the fire.

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Efforts to place the fire victim, (LA PORTE), and DE LORDO, at the scene of the fire or in personal communication with [] were not successful, and prosecution was never undertaken.

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Further it was established that the loss sustained in the fire far exceeded the amount of insurance coverage which [] maintained, and , thus it would appear illogical for [] to have caused the burning of his own premises for insurance fraud reasons.

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It has previously been reported that the subject was the overseer of a large gambling house and operation being conducted at the Tally-Ho in Burnham, Illinois. State's Attorney's Police arrested the subject's brother-in-law, TONY FRANZE, at the above game and located numerous unused money wrappers from the Calumet National Bank, 5231 Hohman Street, Hammond, Indiana.

By communication dated April 26, 1963, the Indianapolis Office advised that a review of the records of the Calumet National Bank results in the fact that no accounts could be located for the following:

Tally-Ho
The Hub
The Owl Club
The Cape Cod
FRANK LA PORTE
ANTHONY FRANZE

Officials stated that in view of the volume of money wrappers recovered in Illinois this indicated that they had been given to a customer by the bank but there would be no way to trace them.

CG T-9 advised that at a recent State's Attorney's gambling raid in Chicago, one of the individuals named [redacted] (phonetic) is a juice man for JIMMY "The Bomber" CUTURO. Informant believes this raid was the one conducted at the Tommyhawk Athletic Club in Cicero, Illinois.

Informant advised that TONY FRANZE, LA PORTE's brother-in-law, is a coin collector and purchased some coins from coins [redacted] just prior to [redacted] being sentenced to the Federal Penitentiary. [redacted] had stolen the coins from an unknown location and has many of them still hidden in an unknown place. [redacted] advised the informant that they were old coins which came from a California burglary. [redacted] presently is employed as a waitress at the Keynote Lounge in Chicago Heights and most probably knows where the coins are hidden.

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FRANZE and [] were close associates of the subject and presently have a [] also known as "Chumpy", working for them as a burglar. Another close associate of the subject, [] assists [] in the operation of a barbout game in Cicero. This is the game which was previously operated by an one armed individual known as [] who recently died of natural causes. Informant states that one half of the house rake at the game goes to the organization for the handling of protection and other expenditures and the other half is divided between [] and GUZZINO. A charge of 1%-2½% rake is taken off of each roll and on a good night the house will collect \$3,500 as its share of the gambling. In addition to this, GUZZINO and [] are often participants in the game.

Two brothers, known as [] are becoming known as muscle for the outfit in the Calumet City area. In the recent past they have stolen several vending machines belonging to the Mueller Brothers of Blue Island, Illinois and sell them to some colored person in Chicago. Approximately the 15th of April, they stole a truck load of approximately 15 machines from Mueller Brothers and presently have them "stashed" some where on the South Side of Chicago.

Informant stated that the outfit has had its troubles as far as infiltrating into the gambling operations conducted by the colored element in south Cook County. He recalled that in 1962 [] was operating a big book in the colored area of Phoenix, Illinois. The book was primarily operated from the White Rose Tavern. When it became well known that the book was successful in making money, AL ROSETTI approached [] and told him that the outfit was taking over the operation. [] approached FRANK LA PORTE in the hopes of keeping the game but was told by LA PORTE to let ROSETTI and two other unknown individuals take over the game. Because of fear, [] gave him no argument and ROSETTI took over the operation of the book. However, in approximately three weeks they ended up losing several thousand dollars. They then called [] and told him that he could again operate the book in gambling. Shortly after this period of time the book was closed because of two murders committed at the White Rose by colored gamblers who accused each other of cheating.

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It has previously been reported that a bomb was detonated at the site of the George F. Mueller Company property in Blue Island, Illinois by unknown persons. Upon interview, Mueller Brothers gave as one possible reason for the bombing was the fact that the Homewood Sheriff's Office had replaced a Regal Company vending machine with one from Mueller Brothers.

On June 4, 1963, Corporal [redacted] Illinois State Police, who is in charge of the bombing investigations in the Chicago area, advised that on April 25, 1963 subpoenas were served on [redacted]. In testimony before the State Fire Marshal both brothers testified that they had no positive information regarding the bombing or the reason for it. According to Corporal [redacted] on April 6, 1963, a polygraph examination was given to [redacted]. The questions asked reflected in a preliminary report, showed satisfactory responses on the part of [redacted] negative answers regarding whether his firm had received any threats or warnings regarding their actions at the U.S. Marshal's auction of confiscated machines of the Suburban Cigarette Service; whether the firm had received any warnings regarding the placing of machines in vacated locations of the Suburban Cigarette Service; whether he or the firm was ordered or directed to install [redacted] as a third director of the company; whether he knew who was responsible for the bombing of the firm on March 18, 1963; whether he had any forewarning that something would happen to the firm prior to the bombing; and whether the firm or himself had created the incident themselves. The polygraph examination was conducted by [redacted] of the Illinois Department of Public Safety at the Harvey, Illinois Police Department.

[redacted] is the Village Attorney for Dixmoor, Illinois and the corporation papers of the George F. Mueller Company reflect that he is a registered director of the firm. Newspaper accounts and other sources have indicated in the past that [redacted] is a close personal associate of GEORGE "Babe" TUFFANELLI, who is the subject's lieutenant in charge of the Blue Island, Illinois area.

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Chief JEOME STEVENSON, Olympia Fields, Illinois Police Department, advised that they gained information in what he considered a reliable source of the Joliet, Illinois Police Department, that the former Identification [redacted] (LNU) for many years was the bookkeeper for FRANCES CURRY's gambling operations in the Joliet area. He recently retired from the Police Department and is now working at a defense plant in Florida and has been given some type of security clearance. He continues to be paid \$100 per week by LA PORTE's "outfit".

Little Jack's Restaurant, which was burnt to the ground approximately three years ago by arsonists, continues to get a yearly license for the restaurant even though no building exists. Another officer of the Joliet Police Department owns and operates a moving company and FRANK LA PORTE gives him considerable business by allowing him to haul jukeboxes and possibly slot machines to various locations. FRANCIS CURRY and a [redacted] (phonetic), a well known real estate dealer in Joliet, are partners in some type of real estate deal. There is no indication whether the operation is legal or illegal.

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POLICE PROTECTION AND
POLITICAL TIE-INS

Mayor MAUERINO RICHTON, Chicago Heights, Illinois "fired" Chief of Police PHILIP HOWARD and "temporarily" appointed ARNO W. TOLL to the position. TOLL is 65 years old and formerly operated a trucking firm in Chicago Heights, Illinois. He had had no prior police experience. Unverified rumors from various sources indicate that many years ago TOLL owned a pool hall in Chicago Heights which operated as a horse book. At the same time he is reported to have furnished and maintained slot machines being operated at the Chicago Heights Country Club. Since taking over as Chief of Police, he has suspended several officers and Captain [redacted] who are reported to be close associates of FRANK LA PORTE. According to other officers, he is an extremely strict disciplinarian and appears to be conscientious in his effort to improve the operation of the department. He is hampered to a great extent by the fact that he knows nothing of police work or administration and is consequently punishing the good officers on the department as well as the ones who were formerly operating under the orders of the subject.

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The May 5, 1963, edition of the Chicago Heights Star, a bi-weekly newspaper, contains an article which reads in part as follows:

The Chicago Heights Board of Fire and Police Commissioners on Saturday ordered the firing of Police Detective [redacted] in a report based on a hearing held May 24, 1963. [redacted] was charged with conduct unbecoming a police officer for alleged failure to cooperate with the State's Attorney's Police, who were investigating a burglary and for being absent from duty without permission.

ROSWELL SPENCER, Chief Investigator, State's Attorney's Police, Chicago, Illinois, advised that upon information furnished by the FBI he has assigned officers to conduct an investigation into [redacted] activities. The reports indicate that [redacted] is a procurer of female prostitutes and an active burglar. He stated that

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has been indicted by the Cook County Grand Jury for conduct unbecoming a police officer. However, no trial date has been set. He stated his officers were unable to obtain sufficient proof to charge him with procuring and burglary, however, the investigation reflects that he is active in both fields.

The Chicago Heights newspaper, mentioned above, also contained an article which reads in part as follows:

"RAYMOND FELDCOMP, 43, of 18250 Oakwood, Lansing, Illinois, a former Cook County Sheriff's Police Sergeant, was arrested for pandering in the R&L Tap, 502 155th Street, Calumet City, Illinois where he is a bartender. At the same time, Miss JACQUELINE COCHRAN, 23, 728 May Street, Calumet City, was charged with prostitution and GARRETT SCHEPEL, 49, of Chicago Heights, a Bloom Township constable, was charged with patronizing a house of prostitution.

CG T-9 advised that JOHN MALONI, 130 Pleasant Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois is a commissioner for the City of Chicago Heights. He was previously arrested and convicted of a felony and served time at Chillicothe Reformatory, near Cincinnati. This conviction occurred many years ago and it is unknown to the informant the nature of the charge.



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6/17/63

Title FRANK LA PORTE

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Report of Special Agent
Thomas W. Parrish dated
and captioned as above
at Chicago, Illinois.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

CG T-3, CG T-5 and CG T-8, who have been contacted an insufficient number of times to determine their reliability.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois

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FRANK LA PORTE
ANTI-RACKETEERING

CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is an individual who has knowledge of activities of some hoodlums in south Cook County, Illinois.

CG T-2 is a former bartender from Calumet City, Illinois.

CG T-3 is an employee of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company.

CG T-4 is an individual who has wide knowledge of the financial position of various south side individuals.

CG T-5 is an employee of a restaurant which caters to some hoodlums.

CG T-6 is a gambler who has knowledge of gambling activities in Chicago Heights, Illinois.

CG T-7 is an employee of another governmental investigating agency.

CG T-8 is a former bartender in the Calumet City, Illinois area.

CG T-9 is an associate of several well known hoodlums in southern Cook County.

CG T-10 is an employee in the Chicago Heights Police Department.

CG T-11 is a person familiar with certain aspects of illegal activities conducted in Calumet City, Illinois.

Re: FRANK LA PORTE

CG T-12 is an individual who associates with known gamblers.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)

SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, aka.
ARDAILY AIRTEL SUMMARY

[] advised that the subject, through JOHN MALONI, Chicago Heights City Commissioner, has purchased or is purchasing approximately 100 acres of farm land in Cook County for \$2,000 per acre. A prior agreement with SEYMOUR SIMON, President of the Cook County Commissioners, provides for the sale of the land to the Cook County Forest Preserves District for \$5,000 per acre. The \$300,000 profit reportedly will be split between principals.

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Informant states that within a short time, he expects to learn the location of the property and other specifics regarding the sale and will advise this Office.

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Approved: *J. Edgar Hoover*
6 JUN 28 1963 Special Agent in Charge

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO, (92-920)
SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, aka
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Daily Summary

Captain [] Major Investigation Division, Cook County Sheriff's Police, advised that [] previously ran a "floating crap game" for Chicago hoodlums PHIL ALDERISIO and the subject. The game was held for truck drivers who were allowed to become indebted and were then approached to "set up" their "loads" for a robbery. [] is a heavy gambler and owes \$9,000. During the middle of 5/63, he absconded with an \$8,000 "bank" belonging to the outfit. [] contacted [] wife and indicated they were sent to kill him. [] has indicated in phone conversation to the Sheriff's informant that he "might" be willing to disclose his knowledge of the syndicate to the FBI in exchange for sufficient funds to avoid the syndicate. [] driving a 1959 brown and tan Ford with 1963 Illinois license NF 5355. He is believed hiding in Whiting, Indiana.

Indianapolis requested to alert agents working Whiting, Indiana, to be on the alert for the above car and immediately notify Chicago, if located. Do not notify local police in view of [] and subject's known contacts with various Police Departments in the Chicago area.

Chicago maintaining contact with Captain []

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)
SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, aka
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DAILY SUMMARY

Re my airtel, dated 5/20/63, noting that unidentified body found at Madison, Illinois, alleged to be that of a "juice" victim. Lieutenant [redacted] Major Investigations Division, Cook County Sheriff's Office, advised that the body was that of an itinerant worker and that two Chicago Heights, Illinois, youth had confessed the murder. Lieutenant [redacted] stated the killing definitely had no syndicate connection and was merely a heat of passion murder.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793) and
SAC, CLEVELAND

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)

SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, aka.
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DAILY SUMMARY

A source advised that AUGUST "Gus" RUBINO has taken over as Mid-West representative for the Resolute Insurance Company, Cleveland, Ohio. He will handle all surety bonds for this company in the Mid-West area. RUBINO stated to source that this would "put FRANK LUZI out of the bond business". LUZI is the nephew of the subject.

Cleveland is requested to furnish background information on the management of Resolute Insurance and advise of any known hoodlum connections. Do not interview management at this time regarding RUBINO. RUBINO is part of the JIMMY "The Bomber" CATUQA organization which appears to be attempting to take over control of some of the subject's south Cook County, Illinois illegal activities.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7/5/63

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)

SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, aka
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Attached hereto are six copies of a letterhead memorandum. It is requested that they be forwarded to the appropriate Legat for investigation.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois

July 5, 1963

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

FRANK LA PORTE,
Also Known As.
ANTI-RACKETEERING

This subject is considered a leading figure of organized criminal activity in South Cook County, Illinois. The area covers all southern suburbs of Chicago, Illinois.

Information had been received that La Porte has considerable financial investments in Bogota, Columbia. The nature of investments are unknown but are reportedly in conjunction with two former Lake County, Indiana public officials, [REDACTED] Both of the above individuals are under Federal prison sentence as a result of their official misconduct in office.

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It is requested that inquiry be made at logical sources such as banks, police departments, and credit bureaus to determine if any of the three individuals are known to local sources in Bogota. If known, will determine all available information and background.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)
SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, aka
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DAILY AIRTEL SUMMARY

A source advised that, during the April Chicago Heights, Illinois Municipal Elections, he was in a drug-store belonging to [redacted], the successful candidate for Chicago Heights City Commissioner. FRANK LA PORTE and his former bodyguard, [redacted] came into the store and were observed handing [redacted] an envelope. They were overheard saying it is a campaign contribution for Mayor RICHTON and the Better Government Party. [redacted] was a candidate on the Better Government Party ticket. Source stated he has no idea as to the size of the contribution but that it appeared to be in the form of cash and not a check. RICHTON was elected mayor of Chicago Heights as a "reform" candidate who ran on the platform of cleaning Chicago Heights of its hoodlum influences.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)
SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, aka
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AIRTEL SUMMARY

JOE GUZZINO, who resides in Calumet City, Illinois, and is a lieutenant for the subject, advised an informant that he has given up the operation of the horse book at the Olympia Billiards Parlor in Hammond, Indiana, because it necessitates his travelling from Illinois to Indiana. GUZZINO indicated that the recent federal gambling conviction of FRANK NICK ZIZZO is the reason that he is no longer operating the book. He further stated that most of the subject's gambling operations in the Hammond area are closed down because of this conviction.

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Date: 8/6/63

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)
SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, aka
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AIRTEL SUMMARY

JOSEPH L. COSTELLO, part owner Chicago Heights Distributors, and partner with RALPH EMERY in the Regal Vending Machine Company, Chicago Heights, shot himself to death late yesterday. He was married to VERA EMERY, daughter of the late JIM EMERY who controlled South Cook County organized crime prior to the subject. His father, CHARLES COSTELLO, was a former lieutenant for Chicago's AL CAPONE during the Prohibition Era. His uncle "BLACK SAM" COSTELLO was shot to death in a 1938 gang war. COSTELLO allegedly left a note that he was in financial difficulties and concerned by his inability to sleep.

COSTELLO had previously been interviewed on two occasions by Bureau agents and furnished little information of value. On the second interview he refused to answer any questions. COSTELLO was also taken before the Federal Grand Jury this Spring during IRS raids involving federal wagering stamp cases. It should be noted that previous information indicates that the Regal Vending was the "front" for the subject's slot machine operations.

50 On 8/2/63 Bureau agents confiscated approximately ~~100~~ slot machines at Joliet, Illinois. These machines are believed to have belonged to the subject. COSTELLO is tentatively scheduled to be waked this PM.

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Special Agent in Charge

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)
SUBJECT: ⁰FRANK LA PORTE, aka
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AIRTEL SUMMARY

An ATU Agent advised today that an informant, who he stated has been very reliable in the past, advised him "A contract has been let for someone big in the South Suburbs. Two Chicago guys took the contract after it was turned down by friends of mine." An ATU Agent stated that his informant would not further identify the persons to be murdered or the individuals that intended to commit it. Previous information indicates that LA PORTE and JIMMY "THE BOMBER" CATURO have recently been involved in a ~~case~~ feud regarding control of the South Suburban organized crime.

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| TITLE OF CASE FRANK LA PORTE, Aka | | REPORT MADE BY SA THOMAS W. PARRISH | TYPED BY jas |
| | | CHARACTER OF CASE AR | |

REFERENCES: Report of SA THOMAS W. PARRISH dated 6/17/63,
at Chicago.
Summary airtels from Chicago to Bureau.

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ENCLOSURES

TO BUREAU

Two copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting
characterization of informants.

LEADS

Investigative leads to other field offices are
being set out by separate communications.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to investigate

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subject's background and activities.

INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is [] Calumet City, Illinois,
by request, contacted by SA THOMAS W. PARRISH.

CG T-2 is [] contacted by SA PARRISH.

CG T-3 is [] contacted by SA PARRISH and
SA JOSEPH L. SYLVESTER.

CG T-4 is [] Chicago Heights, by request,
contacted by SA KENNETH L. GROEPER.

CG T-5 is PCI [] contacted by SA PARRISH.

CG T-6 is PCI [] contacted by SA GROEPER.

CG T-7 is [] contacted by SA GROEPER.

CG T-8 is L. K. GULLBERG, Postal Inspector, Kankakee,
Illinois, contacted by SA PARRISH and SA GROEPER.

CG T-9 is [] Inmate, Cook County Jail,
by request, contacted by SA PARRISH.

CG T-10 is [] contacted by SA []
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1-USA, Chicago

Report of: SA THOMAS W. PARRISH
Date: 8/14/63

Office: Chicago

Field Office File No.: 92-920

Bureau File No.: 92-5793

Title: FRANK LA PORTE

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Subject continues to reside at 1730 Cambridge Road, Flossmoor, Illinois, on infrequent occasions. He is in frequent contact with [redacted] his paramour, at Riverdale, Illinois. Subject and his underworld associates appear to be entering into additional legal businesses. Gambling and vice operations in South Cook County, Illinois, have been materially reduced. GUS RUBINO and [redacted] appear to have taken over a majority of criminal surety bonds in South Cook County. Subject's nephew, FRANK LUZI, is moving his F&L Bonding Company from Chicago Heights to Harvey, Illinois. Illegal activities associated with the subject set out.

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DETAILS:

RESIDENCE

Chief CLIFF PAULING, Flossmoor, Illinois Police Department, advised that officers of his command continue to make regular morning, afternoon, and night spot checks of the subject's and his relatives' homes in Flossmoor. He stated that the subject's car on infrequent occasions appears at his residence or the residence of TED BARTUSIEWICZ, his brother-in-law.

[redacted] Chicago Heights, Illinois, advised on July 29, 1963, that he was born and raised in the Chicago Heights area and that as a result he knows by sight most of the hoodlums in that area. At present he is unemployed.

Recently he met FRANK FRANZE in the Uptown Restaurant in Chicago Heights. After a short conversation, FRANZE asked if he would be interested in working as a gardener for two days. [redacted] agreed to this and FRANZE told him to go to the residence of FRANK LA PORTE and pick all the weeds from the numerous flower beds. During the two days he was at LA PORTE's home he never observed the subject but did see Mrs. LA PORTE on two occasions. He had no conversation with her and was asked no questions by her. After he finished the job assigned him by FRANZE, he left and has not seen any of the LA PORTE family.

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He advised that he has not been paid for any of his labors. He worked from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. for the two days. During this period he saw no indication that the subject was at his residence. He noted nothing of a suspicious nature and does not recall any visitors coming to LA PORTE's residence.

RELATIVES

CG T-1 advised that LA PORTE's wife's sister, MUGGS MC GINNIS, in early 1962 was living at the Blue Skies Motel or Trailer Port on East Van Buren Street, Phoenix, Arizona. She is presently married to a Calumet City, Illinois bartender, (FNU) [redacted]

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Chief CLIFF PAULING, Flossmoor, Illinois Police Department, advised that one of the subject's nieces is to be married on August 28, 1963. Chief PAULING stated he has not learned the name of the niece but feels that it will be announced in the local newspapers and that in all probability it will be one of [] children.

ASSOCIATES

[]
Riverdale, Illinois

[] advised that she resides directly across the hall from [] She has met FRANK LA PORTE on several occasions but had very limited conversation with him. He usually visits [] approximately two times a week but never at any regular hour. She has no information regarding his business activities.

She knows little concerning [] except that she wears a white nurse's uniform nearly every day and that she is a quiet person who has very little association with any of the neighbors.

On one occasion LA PORTE assisted her in carrying groceries from her car to her apartment. There was little conversation and he appeared as a quiet individual. However, on occasions she has overheard LA PORTE and [] involved in harsh arguments, the nature of which was unknown to her.

[] occasionally has parties which consist mostly of younger people and during these parties she has never observed the subject. POSEY appears to be away from her apartment for the past week or so.

[] stated that she will remain alert for any information and will advise the Chicago FBI.

[] Auditing Department, Mutual National Bank, advised that he has observed the subject but has never met him or had any conversation with him. He has

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only spoken to [] on two or three occasions and this conversation was in regard to the weather or other small talk. He recently observed her driving a new 1963 Oldsmobile with a dealer's sticker still on it. He does not recall the color and has not seen it in the neighborhood in the recent past. He stated he would be alert for any activities regarding [] or LA PORTE and immediately notify the FBI in Chicago.

Sergeant [] Riverdale, Illinois Police Department, advised that during the past month he has observed the subject arriving at the [] apartment at 2 or 3 a.m. He usually goes to the public telephone booth at the corner of 138th and Atlantic, after making a telephone call, he then walks the one block to [] apartment and enters. He appears to have a key to the apartment. Sergeant [] stated he has no information as to when the subject leaves the apartment.

RALPH EMERY
848 Memorial Drive
Chicago Heights, Illinois

CG T-2 advised that (FNU) [] and (FNU) [] are trying to obtain a license to reopen The Gables in Goodnow, Illinois. This tavern was previously operated as a house of prostitution and specialized in selling liquor to minors.

The Gables is located in a remote rural area of Will County and is approximately five miles south of Chicago Heights, Illinois. [] were formerly the operators of the Miami Club at 83rd and Keene Road, Willow Springs, Illinois. The Miami Club was also the location of [] who are known car thieves and procurers. The Miami Club was closed in July, 1963, following a vice raid by the Cook County, Illinois Sheriff's Office.

The informant stated that he understood from reliable sources that RALPH EMERY, who is a close associate of FRANK LA PORTE, is actually a person who was putting up the money to reopen The Gables. The Gables had previously been burned down approximately one year ago and the cause of the fire has not yet been determined although arson was suspected.

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Chief CASIMIR LINKIEWICZ, Calumet City, Illinois Police Department, advised that in a recent conversation with [redacted] (phonetic), a relative of RALPH EMERY and the operator of a Calumet City "strip joint," stated that EMERY was going to Denver, Colorado, for the next two months and will not return to the Calumet City area until early September.

The Chief further advised that [redacted] was observed going to the Zig Zag Club at 3:30 p.m., on July 13, 1963. The Zig Zag Club is owned by [redacted]

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[redacted] was involved in a traffic accident in Calumet City on June 12, 1963, and listed her home address as 15105 East End Avenue, Dolton, Illinois. The Chief noted that this is the same address as [redacted] (LNU) who is the paramour of RALPH EMERY.

PHIL BACINO
121 State Street
Calumet City, Illinois

CG T-3 advised on July 19, 1963, that PHIL BACINO during 1956 and 1957 operated a "big stake" poker game in the basement of his pizzeria in Calumet City. Because of its location in a legal restaurant, it was free from any potential raid by police. BACINO made no payoffs to police or politicians although LA PORTE received a small cut from the game. The informant has played at the game and stated that he has heard that BACINO cleared over \$100,000 profit from the house cut. BACINO himself never gambles.

Following the various raids in Calumet City by State Police and local authorities, all gambling activities at BACINO's were curtailed. In the recent past he has allowed some of his hoodlum friends to use the basement of his place for their own games but he will not permit anyone who is not personally known to him and over the years have proven themselves to be hoodlums or their close associates.

BACINO has been interviewed on previous occasions and indicated that he would furnish no information to the FBI.

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~~SAM~~ GUZZINO
West 16th Street
Chicago Heights, Illinois

CG T-4 advised that SAM GUZZINO and his cousin, RICHARD GUZZINO, are presently operating the "outfit" book in the Chicago Heights area. He believes the operation is at 1065 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, in an unknown apartment. The apartment is in the name of a female and an alternate apartment is located in the Lincoln Heights Subdivision. SAM GUZZINO drives a 1963 Super 88 Oldsmobile convertible which is white over a midnight blue top, Illinois license HY 5745. His cousin drives a 1963 white four-door 225 Electra Buick which has a transistor type radio aerial in the middle of the roof. In addition, a large twenty foot aerial is attached to the home of SAM GUZZINO on West 16th Street in Chicago Heights. The informant does not know the exact method of operation for their bookmaking activities but will attempt to determine any telephone numbers or other paraphernalia which may reveal their method of operation.

The informant advised on July 29, 1963, that GUZZINO's call letters for his short wave radio are 18W6795 - Channel 9.

A physical surveillance of SAM GUZZINO during the latter part of June, 1963, reflected that he drove from Chicago Heights to the Lincoln Fields Race Track. He left the car and was observed talking with another unknown individual at Barn 1, Stall 10, which housed a thoroughbred race horse.

Sergeant [redacted] Washington Park Association police officer, was advised of the information and stated that he would follow the matter because GUZZINO is known to take bets at the Washington Park track. Sergeant [redacted] later advised that the horse referred to above reced the following day and paid \$17.50. He also determined that the horse was owned by a member of the GUZZINO family. b6 b7C

~~AL~~ ROSSETTI
104th and St. Lawrence
Chicago, Illinois

CG T-5 advised that in a recent conversation with ROSSETTI he had learned that AL ROSSETTI returned from Las Vegas,

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Nevada, the last of June, 1963. During the time he was in Las Vegas, he stayed at the Riveria Hotel "with friends." ROSSETTI stated to CG T-5 that anytime he would like to make a trip to Las Vegas to advise him (ROSSETTI) and he would fix it up so he could travel at half price while in Las Vegas. He indicated that because of his business connections in the area he could be of great assistance to him.

GEORGE BABE TUFFANELLI
119th and Bell
Chicago, Illinois

CG T-2 advised that TUFFANELLI has his automobiles serviced at Ray's City Service at 121st and Western Avenue, Blue Island, Illinois. Because of TUFFANELLI's poor health his nephew, name unknown, does most of the driving for him.

The informant stated that he has heard two different versions in regard to TUFFANELLI selling his \$70,000 home in Blue Island, Illinois. One is that on a recent trip to Las Vegas he contacted unknown interests out there and made arrangements to trade his house for property in Las Vegas, where he hopes to retire. The informant stated that the other reason that appears to exist is that the purchaser of TUFFANELLI's home is Mayor RICHARD J. DALEY of Chicago, Illinois. The property was supposedly purchased in the name of a nominee and that it will evidentially be transferred directly to DALEY's name.

He stated that his information comes from what he believes to be a reliable source at City Hall in Chicago. It was the informant's opinion that the rumors could not be completely ignored and that DALEY very probably could be the purchaser of the property.

GUS RUBINO
Dixie Highway
Homewood, Illinois

CG T-2 advised that RUBINO has combined talents with [redacted] JIMMIE "The Bomber" CATURA, an old CAPONE muscle man. It appears that [redacted] and RUBINO are intending to take over the majority of criminal surety bonds in the south suburban area of Cook County, Illinois. There has apparently been some agreement or meeting between RUBINO and LA PORTE and the outfit will not protect the interest of

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LA PORTE's nephew, FRANK LUZI, who is also a bondsman in the same area. The informant stated that RUBINO is expected to write bonds for the Resolute Insurance Company of Cleveland, Ohio.

By communication dated July 19, 1963, the Cleveland Office advised that records of Dun and Bradstreet and the Cleveland Retail Credit Company failed to reflect any record which is identifiable with the Resolute Insurance Company or with AUGUST RUBINO. Records of the Cleveland, Ohio Police Department regarding RUBINO are negative.

Information from various police officers in South Cook County indicate that [] is making bond for many criminals charged with robbery without any commission being required from these individuals. It is the consensus of opinion that in exchange for going their bond certain promises are extracted that these individuals will commit burglaries or robberies on directions of RUBINO and in that way be able to pay their bond money to RUBINO.

FRANK LUZI
212 West 29th Place
Chicago Heights, Illinois

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On July 3, 1963, LUZI, the nephew of FRANK LA PORTE, was observed demonstrating a soft drink powder at the Kroger Grocery Store in the Olympia Shopping Plaza in Chicago Heights, Illinois. He was with [] Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, who is the owner of the Dandy Drive-In on Western Avenue and a snack shop at 16th Street and Chicago Road. It is assumed that they were representing the F&R Distributors as has previously been advised.

LUZI has moved his F&L Bonding Company from Chicago Heights, Illinois to Harvey, Illinois. In addition to [] they have taken on another partner, [] is a former Harvey, Illinois policeman. He advised on July 17, 1963, that he is presently associated with LUZI and [] in the F&L Bonding Company and that in addition he is operating a private detective agency from the same building. He furnished no information of value regarding the operation of the bonding business and stated that he had no knowledge of FRANK LA PORTE

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in that LUZI had often told him that he could pick his friends but could not pick his relatives and that he had little or no contact with his uncle.

Captain [] District 2, Cook County Sheriff's Office, Homewood, Illinois, advised that in a recent conversation with [] stated that although it has already cost him \$5,000, the present bribery charge against him and FRANK LUZI has been taken care of. [] indicated that it had cost LUZI at least that amount if not more.

The above information was brought to the attention of Chief Investigator ROSWELL SPENCER, Cook County States Attorney's Police. SPENCER said he would immediately conduct an investigation to determine if the "fix" is in and if so will attempt to place sufficient pressure that LUZI and [] will be tried on the merits of the case and not be presently judged by any crooked politicians.

[]
Thornton, Illinois

CG T-2 advised that [] has an account with the brokerage firm of Mitchell Hutchins in Chicago Heights, Illinois. He recently approached [] of that firm and requested permission to open a "funny names account." According to the informant the purpose was for dealing with unknown persons or an effort to cheat on federal income tax. He was told by [] that this was not permitted and that Mitchell Hutchins would not be a party to any such discrepancy. He was told that he could open custodian accounts for members of his family. He then opened three accounts in the names of []

Shortly thereafter [] called [] and in an excited voice asked for an employee of Cruttendon Podsta, another Chicago Heights brokerage firm. He pointed that he apparently got the telephone numbers mixed up and apologized when he noticed the error. As a result [] is of the opinion that he has at least one account with Cruttendon Podsta.

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He also indicated on one occasion that he had an account with the firm of Hornblower and Weeks. According to the informant, [] loafs with one PETE TALARICO who also has an account at Mitchell Hutchins. TALARICO appears very ignorant of the market conditions and he has difficulty in expressing himself in ordinary matters. He is active in the jukebox and pinball machines operations in South Cook County. As a result of [] inquiry on a funny names account, the Chicago office of that company asked all of its employees in Chicago Heights to record the serial numbers of all cash received in \$100 bills or over. So far all purchases made by [] have been by cash. The informant stated he would make an effort to determine the amount of cash that [] uses for his stock purchases.

JOE GUZZINO
1065 Wentworth Avenue
Calumet City, Illinois

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CG T-3 advised that JOE GUZZINO stated to him that he has given up the operation of the Olympic Billard Parlor in Hammond, Indiana. This was formerly a horse book operation operated by [] also known as [] GUZZINO stated to the informant that because of [] recent conviction in court in Hammond, Indiana, he would no longer travel from Chicago to Hammond for fear of prosecution.

On July 21, 1963, GUZZINO was observed leaving the 5 O'Clock Club in Calumet City, Illinois, at 11:50 a.m. He drove directly to La Cortes Liquors, East 14th Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois. There he picked up two individuals and the three of them drove to the Vagabond Lounge in the Thomas Hotel. He was then observed talking to [] and RALPH EMERY at the Vagabond Lounge.

Addition spot checks of GUZZINO reflects that he is constructing a building at 159th and Burnham Avenue in Calumet City, Illinois. Chief LINKIEWICZ checked the village records and determined that GUZZINO obtained a building permit for the construction of a drive-in restaurant in the 600 block of Burnham Avenue.

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[] and other unidentified individuals are often at the site and appear to be interested in its construction. Inquiry at the service station located directly across the street from the construction site indicates that the location is not desirable as a drive-in restaurant and it is assumed from neighbors that GUZZINO is trying to conduct some illegal activity on the premises.

Chief LINKIEWICZ advised that he will maintain a close watch on the operation and advise if any illegality is observed.

FRANCIS CURRY
Western Avenue
Joliet, Illinois

CURRY has previously been identified as a lieutenant of the subject who handles the subject's interest in Will County, Illinois. In addition, the subject has been reported to have financial interest in a large housing development in Texas. Telephone calls emanating from the subject's residence reflect a call to GE 3-9786 at San Antonio, Texas.

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By communication dated June 4, 1963, the San Antonio Office advised that the above number is assigned to ROBERT CURRY, Room 114, Marion Hall, St. Mary's University. It was disconnected on May 14, 1963, and the final account was to be sent to FRANCIS CURRY at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois.

According to records in the area, CURRY is the owner of the Cooperative Music Company of Chicago, Illinois, and has telephone number SKyline 5-4684. CURRY's monthly long distance telephone charges range from between \$200 and \$300 per month.

On June 4, 1963, Brother [] St. Mary's University, advised that ROBERT CURRY enrolled in September, 1962 as a sophomore after having attended Lewis College at Lockport, Illinois, Joliet Junior College and the University of Miami. He had fifty-two hours when he enrolled at St. Mary's and completed twenty semester hours. His birth date is listed as June 1, 1940, at Joliet, Illinois. Brother [] advised

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that CURRY has a very poor scholastic record both at St. Mary's and the other schools where he attended. He also has a very poor attendance record. CURRY was not involved in any disciplinary action.

LEGAL ENTERPRISES

CG T-6 advised on June 27, 1963, that FRANK LA PORTE has put up the buildings that he allegedly owns in Calumet City, Illinois, for sale. These include the Owl Club, the Follies Bergere and the Club Southern. LA PORTE's brother-in-law was observed in Calumet City apparently to supervise the placing of for sale signs on the buildings. Solomon's Real Estate of Homewood, Illinois, appears to be the broker for the proposed sale.

Chief LINKIEWICZ, Calumet City Police Department, advised on June 7, 1963, that for the past three days TONY [redacted] has been in Calumet City with [redacted] and three or four other unknown individuals, at the Club 21. This club is presently being opened as a used furniture store with [redacted] [redacted] Burnham, Illinois, as the owners.

Chief LINKIEWICZ advised that for sale signs have also appeared on the Owl Club, the Follies Bergere and the Club Southern. Solomon Real Estate, 18855 Dixie Highway, telephone number SY 8-2030, is the broker.

CG T-2 advised that the operation and ownership of the Chez-Nous, formerly known as the Why-Not Restaurant, has changed. The informant advised that in a conversation with [redacted] that it is being operated by [redacted] but the license is in the name of [redacted] a brother-in-law of [redacted]

[redacted] have been arrested in Hammond, Indiana for pandering and prostitution. Both have long been known on the "strip" in Calumet City, Illinois. [redacted] formerly worked at a club owned by FRANK LA PORTE.

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[] indicated that he has spent \$16,000 fixing up the property and also stated that within two weeks he expected to have the "upstairs" in operation. The source advised that he was of the opinion that [] was referring to the fact that prostitution activities were carried on in the upstairs portion of the building.

Captain [] Homewood Sheriff's Office, was advised and stated that he would assign an undercover man in an effort to raid the operation.

On July 4, 1963, Captain [] conducted a vice raid and arrested [] as being keepers of a house of prostitution. Four females were arrested for disorderly conduct and soliciting prostitution. Efforts were being made to suspend the liquor license and close the establishment.

CG T-3 advised on July 15, 1963, that RALPH EMERY and two individuals known as [] are intending to open up The Gables in Goodnou, Illinois. The license will be issued in the name of [] Joliet, Illinois. [] is a former Joliet bartender who reportedly has worked for FRANK LA PORTE.

Chief ROBERT OVERTOLTZ, South Chicago Heights, Illinois Police Department, advised on July 17, 1963, that approximately six months ago, The Gables, a tavern in Goodnou, Illinois, burned to the ground. Prior to its destruction, it was known as a juvenile hangout, sold liquor to minors, solicited prostitution, and catered to drug addicts.

He stated that Goodnou is a very small farm community which has no police force and no Will County Deputy Sheriffs.

The Chief stated that prior to The Gables burning, he understood that it was operated by Chicago Heights hoodlums but he has no information as to their identifies.

CG T-2 advised that Koko's at 14426 South Western Avenue, has been taken over by the subject and GUS RUBINO. The license is in the name of [] address unknown. The informant stated that it would appear that approximately \$60,000 has been spent on improvements to this restaurant-bar.

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It is highly probable that LA PORTE is attempting to turn this into a large gambling arena for the south side of Chicago.

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POLICE TIE-INS

CG T-7 advised that JOE GUZZINO, Owner of the Five O'Clock Club, Calumet City, Illinois, is a friend and associate of FRANK LA PORTE. GUZZINO is presently engaged in building a new drive-in restaurant in Calumet City. It was formerly operated by a known procurer, [redacted] who previously worked for LA PORTE in the "strip" area of Calumet City. The property allegedly belongs to Captain [redacted] Calumet City Police Department, who has the property in his wife's name.

[redacted] retired Joliet, Illinois police officer, is alleged to have been the bookkeeper for FRANCIS CURRY, the subject's gambling lieutenant in the Joliet, Illinois area.

By communication dated July 22, 1963, the Miami office advised that [redacted] Fort Pierce, Florida, is presently employed as a jailer for the Fort Pierce Police Department.

He advised that while he was employed as a police officer in Joliet, Illinois, he lived next door to FRANCIS CURRY. He indicated that he did not know much about the subject's business affairs.

[redacted] Owner and operator of a restaurant-lounge on U.S. Highway 30 and the Indiana state line, advised on July 19, 1963, that he formerly was a trooper for the Illinois State Police. During his time on the force he worked with HANK PILOTTO, the brother of AL PILOTTO, close associate and former bodyguard for FRANK LA PORTE.

On frequent trips to Springfield, Illinois, [redacted] has personally observed HANK PILOTTO meet girls while in uniform and subsequently demand that they act as prostitutes for his benefit. He has no knowledge of any

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other illegal activities on the part of [] but assumes that he would probably be susceptible to bribes and other influences. [] stated that under no circumstances would he testify to the above facts or notify State Police officials because the top leadership of the Illinois State Police including Superintendent MORRIS have been guilty of misconduct and this is known to other police officials, and MORRIS would take no action. The current trials regarding the trucking scandals within the Illinois State Police resulted from newspaper notariety and Director of Public Safety RAGEN and not from the investigation by Illinois State Police officials.

Chief CASIMIR LINKIEWICZ, Calumet City Police Department, advised that he had determined that Judge LASHNIE, a Justice of the Peace who hears most of the vice and gambling cases in South Cook County, Illinois, was recently "shacked up" with a female at the Town and Country Motel. FRANK LUZI, the subject's nephew, was at the motel at the same time.

CG T-4 advised that during the most recent Chicago Heights, Illinois municipal elections, he was in the drug store belonging to [] the successful candidate for Chicago Heights City Commissioner. FRANK LA PORTE and AL PILOTTO came into the store and were observed handing [] an envelope. They stated it was for a campaign contribution for the benefit of MARINO RICHTON and the Better Government Party. The source stated he has no idea as to the size of the contribution but that it appeared to be in the form of United States currency and not a check. RICHTON was the successful "reform" candidate for Mayor of Chicago Heights. He ran on the platform of clearing the Chicago Heights Police Department of its hoodlum influences. Previous information indicated that [] had a criminal record and was sentenced to the Federal Reformatory in Chillicothe, Ohio.

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By communication dated June 27, 1963, the Cincinnati office advised that [redacted] Clerk, Records Control Section, Federal Reformatory, Chillicothe, Ohio, on June 19, 1963, advised that he could locate no record for [redacted] as being a former inmate of the institution. He indicated that the files of those persons incarcerated in the institution during the period of 1935 have been forwarded to Chicago, Illinois, where they are maintained by the General Service Administration, Federal Records Center, 7201 South Leamington Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. A review of the Federal Records Center, Chicago, Illinois, reflected that the records are maintained in numerical order and that they do not have an alphabetical index. In order to determine if [redacted] has a record it would be necessary to have his penal number.

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ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

CG T-8 advised that near the end of 1961 several persons entered into a conspiracy to obtain merchandise through fraud and deception. The scheme involves the opening of the Chicago Heights Salvage Store at 245 East 16th Street, Chicago Heights, using the name Chicago Heights Railroad Salvage Store. Credit was established with several firms through making relatively small credit purchases and quick settlement of the incurred debts. After the establishment of credit the various suppliers were given larger orders which were filled on a credit basis because of purchases previously made. Other deceptive methods were also used to obtain merchandise on credit. The large orders were timed to arrive at the Chicago Heights Railroad Salvage Store on approximately the same date.

On or about February 28, 1962, the entire inventory of the store was removed to places unknown and the business dissolved. Invoices and testimony received establishes the amount of merchandise so obtained as being in excess of \$30,000.00. The actual amount is believed to be much higher. The persons involved in the

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scheme are [redacted] Chicago,
Heights; [redacted] Chicago Heights;
[redacted] Chicago Heights; [redacted]
[redacted] (address unknown); [redacted]
[redacted] Chicago Heights; [redacted] (address
unknown); [redacted] Chicago Heights;
and [redacted] Illinois.

It should be noted that the majority of these individuals have appeared previously in the investigation of FRANK LA PORTE and there is some indication that they are subject to his influence.

In January of 1962, two unidentified individuals attempted to purchase color television sets from Polk Brothers Store at 8530 Cottage Grove, Chicago, Illinois, on credit. The advised the Polk Brothers clerk that the sets were to be used in houses of prostitution over which they had control. The purchase was refused in that neither customer could furnish credit references. Later, these unidentified individuals returned to the store accompanied by [redacted]. Based on [redacted] credit application two color television sets were sold to the trio on a six months contract; however, the contract was satisfied in full within a few weeks. In the latter part of February, 1962, Polk Brothers received a telephone call from [redacted] who stated he was with the Chicago Heights Railroad Salvage Store. A telephonic order was then placed for five color sets totaling \$3,700.00. Polk Brothers refused to make the sale on credit and the caller then changed his order to collect on delivery. Polk Brothers again refused the order because the caller did not identify the bank in which funds were deposited. However, he later called back assuring Polk Brothers that \$8,200.00 had been deposited in the Olympia State Bank of Chicago Heights and the color sets would be paid for on delivery. Polk Brothers authorized delivery of the sets. The sets were paid for on delivery with bogus checks upon the account of the Salvage Store,

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and signed by [] Polk Brothers' Security Division made an attempt to remove the color television sets the following morning but learned that the sets had already been removed from the store. [] was interviewed at the States Attorney's Office, Chicago, Illinois, and furnished the following information:

He was asked regarding the disappearance of the television sets and made the following comment. "From a conversation I had with [] I heard that two of the color television sets were in a house of prostitution and LA PORTE had two." He stated that LA PORTE's name was FRANK and advised that he did not know him. [] also stated that he overheard a conversation between [] in which [] stated that they would tell people to get the sets back to [] [] said that if there were any problems with getting them that LA PORTE would have heads to start rolling like ripe apples. It was obvious to [] that LA PORTE appeared to be all powerful in the group that owned the Chicago Heights Salvage Store, although he was never at the store.

CG T-8 advised that of the entire group named above only [] was prosecuted and that he actually was not a part of the group but was merely a dupe who thought he could get rich quick by listening to the others who were the con men of the operation.

Sergeant [] Major Investigation Division, Cook County Sheriff's Office, advised on July 1, 1963, that [] was formerly a gambling operator for FRANK LA PORTE and other Chicago hoodlums. He arranged for "sneak floating crap games" among truckers driving into Chicago from other cities. He became involved in debt and ended up owing the "outfit" \$8,000.00. In the latter part of June, 1963, he absconded with another \$7,000.00 of the "outfit's" money and his

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whereabouts are presently unknown. [] indicated that he has sources who know that [] is still alive and might be willing to talk regarding his activities with the syndicate because he realizes that if found he will immediately be murdered by unknown hoodlums. [] stated that [] is believed to be presently in the Whiting, Indiana area, driving a 1959 two-tone Ford, brown body and brown top with tan hood and trunk. It has 1963 Illinois license NF 5855.

The Indianapolis office notified the Chicago Heights Resident Agency that the above car was located at the Illianni Hotel in Whiting, Indiana. Sergeant [] was immediately called and advised that he would go over to the hotel and arrest [] on a local parole violator's warrant and make him available for interview with the FBI. Later the same day, [] advised that [] had left the hotel in the company of [] [] St. Paul, Minnesota.

The Minneapolis office advised by communication dated July 9, 1963, that records of the St. Paul Police Department reflect that [] was born [] [] and that his record consists principally of petty larceny by check, traffic offenses, and one grand larceny for which he served from October 6, 1950 to April 10, 1952 at the State Reformatory at St. Cloud, Minneapolis. Captain [] Major Investigation Unit, advised that he is assigning a new officer to the [] investigation and that in the event he is arrested he will immediately make him available for interview by the FBI.

Captain [] advised that when he first became commander of the Homewood Sheriff's Police, Homewood, Illinois, in early 1963, he was approached by [] who stated that he had a friend of his who used to operate houses of prostitution in Chicago Heights but had lately become legitimate and built several large apartment buildings in Posin, Illinois. [] indicated that his friend was staffing some of the apartments with prostitutes and requested

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that [] cooperate so that they would be allowed to operate without police interference. [] stated that he became angry and "threw" [] out of his office before he had given him the individual's name or the exact location of the apartment buildings. He gained the impression that [] was speaking of FRANK LA PORTE; however, he is not positive of this.

Chief of Police CASIMIR LINKIEWICZ, Calumet City, Illinois, advised that [] the manager of the Flying Roof Club, 364 Torrence Avenue, has a Cooperative jukebox in his club. He needed another jukebox so he purchased one on his own intending to keep both boxes. He was visited by two individuals from Cooperative Music Company on June 1, 1963, and told in no uncertain terms that he could not do this. [] called the police department to complain. Later the same two individuals came back and told [] that he had better get rid of his own jukebox. After this visit [] came to the police department and registered a colt .32 revolver. He told LINKIEWICZ that he intends to keep his jukebox and will "blow the heads off" of anybody who tries to prevent him. Chief LINKIEWICZ said that since that time he has had no more trouble with the Cooperative Music Company which is owned by FRANK LA PORTE, but that presently [] is out of the city and cannot be contacted for interview.

It has previously been reported that a big floating crap game was being held at the Bayels Lake Country Club near Loda, Illinois. By communication dated July 1, 1963, the Springfield office advised that an investigation of [] is being conducted by the Indianapolis office which indicates that the three individuals named above operated a crap table at the Elks Club, Watseka, Illinois, and at the Bayels Lake Country Club, Loda, Illinois. Results of the investigation are unknown to the Chicago office at the present time.

Investigation reflects that [] has recently been appointed the general manager of the Town and

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Country Motel, Calumet City, Illinois. [] is alleged to have been the former manager of the Sahara South, a large motel owned by [] and financed by Chicago hoodlums. Information has been received that prostitutes are operating from the bar at the motel through the bartenders, [] both of whom were former bartenders at various strip tease joints in Calumet City which were owned and operated by LA PORTE. The ownership of the motel is in the name of Executive Motel-Hotels Corporation, Executive Offices, 7911 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio. The licensee is [] 1845 Colman, Cincinnati, Ohio. Chief LINKIEWICZ advised that it is his opinion that illegal activities are being operated from a local level and that the ownership of the motel has no knowledge of the actions permitted at the motel.

[] Schererville, Indiana, advised that he was arrested in a gambling raid at the Tally Ho at Burnham, Illinois. He stated that the Tally Ho had a crap table, a roulette wheel, and a blackjack game. [] stated that the gambling game was operated by TONY FRANZE, the brother-in-law of FRANK LA PORTE.

CG T-8 furnished the following information regarding previous illegal activities in Calumet City, Illinois:

"I was the manager of the 'Sky Club,' 7 State Street, Calumet City during the years 1960-1961. During this time I paid \$50 to City Council for 'privileges.' This place was owned by TONY FRANZE, licensed in the name of [] It was a B-joint and we did indulge in prostitution. I also worked with a Calumet City policeman, [] in robbing parked autos of money and luggage and any kind of valuables. Also I worked with a girlfriend, [] Gary, Indiana, in the same manner. If she could not pick pockets of a customer she would steer me to what kind of cars they were driving or she and I would make the cars for whatever they might contain. When we took jewelry or

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travelers checks, she took them to [redacted] or [redacted] as he is known on the 'strip.' He would handle them for 50% of the value. [redacted] is one of the biggest fences in and around the south side. The basement of his home is full of stuff from burglaries and robberies. He also runs a Barbouth and card games at the Ritz Tavern on Calumet Avenue, in Hammond, Indiana. I would estimate that [redacted] and myself netted about \$10,000 per year from what she took from customers and what we took from cars - 1959 through 1962.

"Here is a list of the police of Calumet City Police whom we have paid off in these matters:

[redacted] - approximately \$500 total
[redacted] - Sgt. picked up payoff for all joints
[redacted] - Det. Lt. - beefs at Sky Club
[redacted] - Sgt. - beefs at Sky Club
[redacted] - patrolman (radio and money on several occasions)
[redacted] - Capt. two wrist watches, one diamond ring, Jan. 1, 1962 to make charges for a bond - charge was later withdrawn

"I am in debt \$1,200.00 to juice man, SAM MARLLO-South Chicago, I have been threatened by two of his collectors.

[redacted] of the Sky Club in Calumet City, is the connection for abortions. [redacted] Ridge Road, Gary, Indiana, recruits and transports girls from Indiana to work in different places in and around Calumet City and Chicago Heights. These statements can be substantiated by my former wife, [redacted] St. Rose, Canada, and also [redacted] Gary, Indiana, or [redacted] Calumet City. She is employed as the Showboat Lounge, 700 South State Street, Chicago, as a hostess (B girl) and she lugs

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customers to the 'big house' in Burnham, Illinois and Ritz Tavern when she finds one with big money. She has been connected with the outfit in this capacity for about 20 years, working with, just to mention a few names:

TONY FRANZE - Club Rendezvous - Calumet City
[redacted] Riptide Club - Calumet City
[redacted] - Club Paradise - Calumet City
RALPH EMERY - JOHNNY the Greek - Realto - Crossroads,
Chicago, Illinois
[redacted] - Liberty Inn Lounge - North
Clark, Chicago
[redacted] - Club 21, Calumet City, Illinois
[redacted] Little Club,
Calumet City
[redacted] - The Chatterbox - Calumet City
NICK GUZZINO - TOOTS PALERMO - Club Palace,
Calumet City
[redacted] ? - girl friend of FRANKIE LA PORTE"

CG T-2 advised that one armed slot machines which are owned by FRANK LA PORTE are presently operating at the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Chicago Heights, the Itilio American Republican Club, 19th Place and Halsted, Chicago Heights, the Polish-American Democratic Club, 13th and Halsted, Chicago Heights, and the CIO - Steel Workers Club, East 14th Street, Chicago Heights.

CG T-3 advised that one [redacted] because of his recent activities in behalf of the subject is being rewarded with a tavern or a bar on 63rd Street in Chicago. The exact address is unknown but it is presently operated by an individual known as [redacted] Informant stated that [redacted] continue to be the big bookmakers on Chicago's South Side. Informant stated that all of the "outfit boys" in South Cook County are bitterly complaining because of all the "police heat." Informant stated that JOE GUZZINO is broke and could not get any gambling operation going to rebuild his finances. Informant stated that he was recently contacted by a lieutenant of FRANK LA PORTE

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who stated that since FRANK ZIZZO is going to jail on a "federal rap" he wanted to know if the informant knew of anyone who could take over the Olympia Billiards and operate it as a gambling game and horse book. Informant stated that JOE GUZZINO will no longer book horses from the place because of his fear of federal prosecution inasmuch as he lives in Illinois and the pool hall is located in Hammond, Indiana.

CG T-10 advised that he recently had a conversation with several members of the "outfit" in Calumet City, Illinois, and determined the following information based on the statements taken from the individuals he talked with:

[redacted] was formerly a "big man" in the "outfit" in Calumet City area of Chicago up until the time FRANK LA PORTE and [redacted] got into a dispute over the control of the Calumet City area of Chicago. This dispute was alleged to have been settled by "the top man" in the "outfit" in the favor of FRANK LA PORTE. Thereafter [redacted] was instructed to contribute a certain amount of money to FRANK LA PORTE that he received from the strip joints he operated in the Calumet City area. [redacted] contributed this money to LA PORTE, however, in the recent past, he has become delinquent in his payments. He advised that LA PORTE has also become angry with [redacted] inasmuch as [redacted] is the only person at this time allowed to operate a strip joint, namely the "Chez" in Calumet City.

He advised that [redacted] is also in debt to [redacted] and this debt is alleged to be a juice loan. [redacted] has also been delinquent in paying this juice loan which has infuriated [redacted]. He advised that [redacted] was given a contract by [redacted] to collect all of the money or part of the money owed to both [redacted] and LA PORTE from [redacted]. [redacted] was instructed not to kill [redacted] but was instructed to "rough him up" and if necessary, shoot him in the legs.

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He advised that four days before June 1, [redacted] visited the "Chez Club" seeking out [redacted] in order to collect this debt. He advised that on the night of June 1, 1963, [redacted] together with his brother, [redacted], driving [redacted] automobile, visited the "Chez" at which time [redacted] departed the automobile leaving his brother in the car with the motor running and entered the "Chez Club." He advised that [redacted] sought [redacted] in the "Chez Club" with negative results at which point he made an announcement in the club that everyone was not to move from where they were sitting or say anything about what is to be done. [redacted] then walked out of the "Chez Club" and walked over to [redacted] Buick station wagon, drew a revolver and shot 2 or 3 shots into the rear fender area of the automobile. Thereafter he walked to the front of the car and smashed the windshield with his revolver. At this point several people gathered on the street, many from the State Lunch, which included [redacted] also known as [redacted]

[redacted] then walked down the street to a house where on occasion [redacted] is known to stay and attempted to enter the residence. He was unsuccessful in entering the residence at which point he yelled for [redacted] to come outside. [redacted] then returned to the automobile at which point, Lieutenant [redacted] of the Calumet City Police Department approached [redacted] and told him that [redacted] men would be looking for him [redacted] being the Chief of Police of Calumet City). [redacted] advised Lieutenant [redacted] that he, [redacted] ought to take him down to the police station. He advised that [redacted] took [redacted] revolver and told him he would hide it for him. He advised that [redacted] and his brother, [redacted] were then taken to the police station and were locked up, at which point two detectives that are known to be [redacted] men departed the police station in order to seek witnesses to the shooting on the street.

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He advised after their departure, [redacted] was greeted with obvious affection from all of the police officers in the station which included Captain [redacted]. He advised that Captain [redacted] told [redacted] that he had nothing to worry about because he was [redacted] brother. He advised that [redacted] told [redacted] that it is well known that [redacted] is out after [redacted]. He advised that [redacted] further told [redacted] that he should keep his mouth shut if he is questioned by [redacted] men.

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He advised that the local judge was telephonically contacted by [redacted] and thereafter the judge reportedly contacted the Chief of Police of Calumet City and instructed they charge the [redacted] brothers or release them. He advised that [redacted] men were unable to locate any witnesses that would admit they saw the shooting and thereafter the [redacted] brothers were released from custody.

He advised that [redacted] related that he would let [redacted] "cool off" for awhile and catch up with him after about two weeks.



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois

August 14, 1963

Title FRANK LA PORTE

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

**Reference Report of Special Agent Thomas W.
Parrish dated and captioned as above.**

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.



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Reference is made to report of Special Agent
Thomas W. Parrish dated and captioned as above.

CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is an individual who is familiar with
some hoodlum activities in Calumet City, Illinois.

CG T-2 is an individual who has considerable
knowledge of the financial operations of hoodlums, in
South Cook County, Illinois.

CG T-3 is a person who has a wide knowledge of
gambling activities in the Chicago area.

CG T-4 is a businessman located in Chicago
Heights, Illinois, who has some knowledge of hoodlum
activities.

CG T-5 is a businessman in Chicago, Illinois,
who has contact with several hoodlums operating in South
Cook County, Illinois.

CG T-6 is an individual who has a wide acquaintance
among prostitutes in Calumet City, Illinois.

CG T-7 is a gambler who operates in the suburban
area of Cook County, Illinois.

CG T-8 is an inspector for another governmental
agency.

CG T-9 is an individual who formerly was a bartender in Calumet City, Illinois.

CG T-10 is an individual who has a wide knowledge of hoodlum activities in Calumet City, Illinois.

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WASHINGTON

September 5, 1963



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TO: The Honorable
J. Edgar Hoover,
Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation

FROM: Chief, Division of Investigations
Office of Security

SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE

Reference is made to your ^{memoranda} ~~communication~~ dated July 5 and July 11, 1963 concerning the above-captioned person.

There are attached 2 copies of report of investigation in Colombia.

Overseas investigation in this case is completed.

Enclosures:

2 copies Colombia Rpt., 8/21/63

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/9/63

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (92-582) (P)

SUBJECT: FRANK LAPORTE, Aka.
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OO: CG

Re Chicago airtel to Cincinnati, 7/16/63.

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Referenced Chicago airtel reported information has been received that the subject and associates may have gained control of the Town and Country Motel, Calumet Expressway and 147th Street, Calumet City, Illinois, and that ITAR violations may be occurring. Chicago noted the above motel is owned by Executive Inn Motor Hotels Corporation, 7911 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio, and that its license is listed to [redacted] Cincinnati, Ohio. Cincinnati was requested to conduct background investigation concerning this company; interview appropriate persons to determine background of [redacted] the manager of the Town and Country Motel, and all of the bartenders if listed.

On 7/29/63, IC [redacted] obtained a report dated 7/22/63 concerning the Executive Inn Motor Hotels Corporation, 7911 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio, from Dun and Bradstreet, Cincinnati, Ohio. The information contained in this report was furnished confidentially to the FBI, and a source thereof must be protected if utilized in an investigative report. The following information was included in the report from Dun and Bradstreet:

Management

Fred C. Walters, Pres.

John B. Walters, V. Pres.

Lucian G. Strauss, Secy.

Cletus Sieve, Treas.

Florence C. (Mrs. F.C.)

Walters, Asst. Secy.

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Directors:

OHIO the officers except Sieve plus
A.F. Ruehlmann, Eugene P. Ruehlmann
and E.C. Oberster

DIRECTOR - EXECUTIVE INN MOTOR HOTELS CORP.

History

Started: A number of companies acquired at formation of this corporation and operated successfully for a number of years. The oldest of these was established in 1947.

Incorporated: Ohio, July 31, 1959. Original name was Executive House Motor Hotels Corporation. Name changed by charter amendment in 1960.

Authorized Capital Stock: 1,000,000 shares of \$1 par value common stock and 1600 shares \$100 par value preferred stock.

Outstanding Capital Stock: 853-330 shares common; no preferred outstanding July 31, 1962. Over 70% of the outstanding shares are owned by members of the Fred and John Walters families. No one individual owns majority.

Fred C. Walters, born Europe, 1910, married. Has resided in this country since an early age and is a citizen. 1929 to 1936 employed in remodeling and decorating work by Parkway Construction Company and Schwartz Realty Company, Cincinnati; operated painting and interior decorating business at Covington, Ky., and Cincinnati 1936 to 1939. In 1939 finances became involved through over-expansion and he filed petition in bankruptcy, listing liabilities \$6,365 and assets of \$168. Creditors received little on their claims and he was discharged from bankruptcy March 18, 1939. He and his brother, John B. Walters, then formed a partnership, entering the construction business under the name, Modern Construction Corporation, in 1939. That business was later incorporated as Modern Builders, Inc., with John and Fred Walters, continuing as principals. They later became principals in a number of other corporations which are still in existence and which will be described later in this report. He owns 275,804 of the outstanding common shares in the subject and has general management duties.

JOHN B. WALTERS

John B. Walters, born in Europe, 1912, married. In early life was employed in his brother's interior decorating business.

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VICE - PRESIDENT - EXECUTIVE INN MOTOR HOTELS CORP.

He has been active in Modern Builders and Modern Builders, Inc., since 1939. Owns 285,817 of the outstanding common shares of the subject; shares management duties.

Strauss is a local attorney; active with the subject only on a part time basis.

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~~Florence C. Walters~~, wife of ~~Fred C. Walters~~, takes no active part in daily management, but owns 24,500 of the outstanding common shares. *MRS. E.C. WALTERS*

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~~Assistant Secretary - Executive Inn Motor Hotels Corp~~
~~Cletus Sieve~~, born about 1908, married, has been active with the Walters companies for the past fifteen years and was elected treasurer during 1961. He is a minor stockholder. *OHIO*
~~Treasurer - Executive Inn Motor Hotels Corp~~

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[redacted] is active as manager of the Mayfair Motel, operated by a subsidiary of the subject in Cincinnati. He was born 1936 and is married.

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[redacted] a Cincinnati attorney, assists in local counsel for the subject. Owns 11,642 of the outstanding common shares. E.C. Oberster, formerly in management capacities for Hot Shoppes Inc., was put in charge of food and beverage operations of the subject in 1961 and is headquartered at Chicago. *OHIO*

~~Director - Executive Inn Motor Hotels Corp~~
Other substantial stockholders of the company who do not appear as officers or directors are ~~Lawson Jaffe~~, Dayton, Ohio (133,854) shares of common stock and ~~Louis Jaffe~~, Dayton (56,970) common shares. *OHIO*

~~Stockholders in - Executive Inn Motor Hotels Corp~~
Related Company: Fred C. and John B. Walters and their wives appear as principal officers and stockholders of the following corporations:

1. Modern Builders Inc, Ohio corporation chartered January 6, 1947; authorized capital 250 shares no par common stock. Active as operative home builders, Cincinnati, Ohio. Net worth at January 31, 1962 \$132,951, financial condition unbalanced.

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The above mentioned related company is operated independently of the subject corporation. No inter-company sales, loans, advances, quarantees or endorsements are reported between the subject and the related concern.

Operation

Activities: Subject operates as both an investment and operating company owning capital stock in a number of operating subsidiaries to be enumerated below. As an operating company, it operates two divisions described as follows:

1. Atlas Supply Division engaged in retailing builders supplies, 1650-90 Sherman Avenue, Cincinnati 12, Ohio (Annual sales \$500,000).

2. Sycamore Development Division engaged in developing land into subdivisions with lots in turn sold either to related company or to other builders. Is currently engaged in subdivision and developing a tract of land off Compton Road in Cincinnati known as Compton Woods Subdivision and completing developing Brentwood Village in the area of Brentwood Plaza Shopping Center.

In connection with subsidiary companies, the subject maintains management contracts under which it receives as a management fee, 7% of gross room rentals conducted by each motel operated by subsidiary. In return for their management fee, the company furnishes each motel all general accounting and supervisory management services. The company owns the service mark "Executive Inn", which is identified by a distinguished emblem and the company has entered into licensing agreement with all of its subsidiaries operating motels, with the exception of the Amity Motel to use "Executive Inn" as a service mark and to advertise itself as an Executive Inn Motel. The company has received, or will receive, from each motel so licensed, an initial payment of \$500 and receive monthly from each license the sum of 5¢ for each guest rental unit in licensee's motel for each. In return, the company has agreed to promote the term "Executive Inn" in good taste and in such a way as to promote general acceptance by the public. The license agreements may be cancelled upon thirty days notice by either party.

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Facilities: Executive offices of the subject and its subsidiaries are maintained at 7911 Reading Road in the North Plaza Motel. Property is situated on a main thoroughfare in an outlying commercial and residential area. Premises well kept.

Subsidiaries Subject corporation, Executive Inn Motor Hotels Corporation has a total of twenty subsidiaries, all wholly owned, and directly controlled. Some of these are inactive pending construction of motels or for other reasons. The subsidiaries are described as follows:

1. North-South Walters Company, operators of North Plaza Hotel, 7911 Reading Road, Cincinnati, 99 units. Chartered Ohio 1947. Tangible net worth at July 31, 1961, was \$105,684.
2. The Cincinnati Gateway Motel Company operating Mayfair Motel, 11078 Reading Road, (Evendale) Cincinnati. 57 units. Coffee shop, cocktail lounge and swimming pool. Tangible Net Worth \$103,082 at July 31, 1962.
3. Dayton Gateway Motel Company operating Gateway Motel, 5441 Springfield Street, Dayton, 53 units, coffee shop, cocktail lounge and swimming pool. Tangible net worth \$29,897 at July 31, 1961.
4. The Indianapolis Gateway Motel Co., operating Gateway Motel, 1740 Lafayette Road, Indianapolis, Indiana, 48 units. Tangible net worth at July 31, 1961, \$91,762.
5. The Dayton Terrace Motel Company operating Terrace Motel, 4500 S. Dixie Drive, Dayton. 60 units, coffee shop, and swimming pool. Tangible net worth at July 31, 1961, was \$8,014.
6. Calumet City Motel Co., operating Town & Country Motel, Calumet Expressway, Sibley Blvd., Calumet City, Ill. (Chicago). 109 units, restaurant, coffee shop, swimming pool, cocktail lounge and meeting rooms. Tangible net worth \$65,332 at July 31, 1961.

7. Jefferson Motel Inc., operating Standiford Motel, Airport & Waterson Expressway, Louisville, Ky. 200 units, coffee shop, cocktail lounge, meeting rooms and swimming pool. Tangible net worth \$129,602 at July 31, 1961.

8. Mayfair Motel Company, operating Mayfair Motel, 2040 Lafayette Road, Indianapolis, Indiana, 60 units, coffee shop and swimming pool. Tangible net worth \$80,322 at July 31, 1961.

9. The Drake Motel Company, operating Drake Motels at 8109 Reading Road, Cincinnati; 2833 N. Dixie Drive, Dayton. At Cincinnati 54 units, coffee shop, cocktail lounge and swimming pool. At Dayton, 38 rooms with baths. Tangible net worth at \$139,928 at July 31, 1961.

10. The Town Center Motel Company operating Town Center Motel, 3356 Central Parkway, 36 units, coffee shop, cocktail lounge and meeting rooms. Tangible net worth at July 31, 1961, was \$46,023.

11. Admiralty Motel of Norfolk Inc., operating Admiralty Motor Hotel, 1142 N. Military Highway, Norfolk, Va. 170 units, restaurants, coffee shop, meeting rooms and swimming pool. Plans to add gift shop and barber shop. Tangible net worth (deficit) \$184,166 at July 31, 1961.

12. Louisville Motor Hotel Inc., operates Town Terrace Motel Hotel at Second & York Streets, Louisville, Kentucky; 164 units, restaurant, cocktail lounge, meeting rooms, health club with steam baths. Tangible net worth at July 31, 1961, was \$62,845.

13. Indianapolis Executive Inn Inc., operates Executive Inn Motor Hotel at 401 E. Washington Street, Indianapolis, Ind. 102 units, restaurant, cocktail lounge and meeting rooms. Tangible net worth (deficit) \$49,919 at July 31, 1961.

14. Meadows Executive Inn Inc., operating Meadows Motel, 2600 E. 38th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana; 77 units, meeting rooms and swimming pool. Tangible net worth \$55,416 at July 31, 1961.

15. Dallas Executive Inn Inc., operating Executive Inn Motor Hotel at Mockingbird Road Love Field Airport, Dallas, Texas; constructed by a lessor under agreement to lease land and improvements under 25 year lease with three five year renewal optional; 200 units, restaurant, coffee shop, cocktail lounge, meeting rooms, swimming pool. Tangible net worth (deficit) \$130,752 at July 31, 1961.

16. Tucson Executive Inn Inc., has leased a new motel at Tucson, Arizona, located on U.S. Route 80 and 89; 139 units. Opening late in 1960. Tangible net worth (deficit) \$162,100 at July 31, 1961.

17. Bluegrass Executive Inn Inc., Louisville, Ky., engaged in operating under a contract, motel facilities owned by others in Louisville, Ky. The motel has 115 rooms and has meeting room, restaurant, coffee shop and swimming pool. Financial statement has been withheld.

Three additional subsidiary companies are in the inactive stage with no plans to go ahead as yet. These include Houston Executive Inn Inc., Cincinnati Executive Inn Inc., and New York Executive Inn Inc. These corporations have not been dissolved but remain inactive [redacted]

Concerning [redacted] who was referred to in the above report as the secretary of the Executive Inn Motor Hotels Corporation, it is noted [redacted] is a Cincinnati attorney who has represented gamblers including individuals who were subpoenaed to testify before a Federal Grand Jury in 1961 in the Internal Revenue Service case against [redacted] [redacted] well-known numbers operator of the Cincinnati, Ohio, area.

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~~FRED WALTERS~~

The Cincinnati file reveals the following information concerning ~~FRED C. WALTERS~~, President, Executive Inn Motor Hotels Corporation:

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In 1961 it was determined WALTERS was the owner of stock in the Ohio Valley Plywood Company, and following his introduction to [] purchased stock in this company. [] is the subject of the case captioned [] Aka., AR", Bureau file 92-3051. Subsequently, WALTERS was interviewed 3/13/63 and stated during the early 1940s he purchased certain real estate in Cincinnati from [] for development purposes. He advised that in 1945 or 1946, [] approached him relative to building a home for himself in Cincinnati, and in the early 1950s, became an early investor in the Walters Colonial Village, Inc. WALTERS explained this corporation was an apartment project in Cincinnati and that although [] later relinquished his stockholdings in this company, he continued to serve (as of that time) as a member of the board of directors of the corporation without salary.

The degree of the present association between WALTERS and [] is not known, and the files of the Cincinnati Division contain no other information identifiable with him.

On 8/21/63, effort was made to contact FRED C. WALTERS at his office, and it was determined he was ill at his residence.

On 9/3/63, the following information was obtained from interview of FRED C. WALTERS and JOHN B. WALTERS by SA []

PRESIDENT

The Town and Country Motel, Calumet City, Illinois, is owned by the Norsyl Building Corporation, 2414 W. Lawrence, Chicago, Illinois. The president of this concern is []

[] but that [] an investor, is the major figure in this corporation.

*AFFILIATED WITH NORSYL BUILDING CORP.
2414 W. LAWRENCE, CHICAGO, ILL.*

The builder of the Town and Country Motel became bankrupt before its completion and ownership was acquired by Norsyl. Norsyl leased the Town and Country Motel upon its

completion to the Executive Inn Motor Hotels Corporation on 6/1/58. This lease required the lessee to post a \$100,000. security deposit to protect the owner. Mr. FRED C. WALTERS volunteered that should any illegitimate activity including such activities as prostitution or gambling be tolerated by the management of the motel, the security deposit could be forfeited to Norsyl.

ILL. [redacted] was once employed for some months (subsequent to 1/61) as assistant manager of the International Motor Hotel in Schiller Park area of Chicago. This motel was also operated at that time on a lease by Executive Inn Motor Hotels Corporation until the end of 3/62 when the corporation got out of the lease due to losses incurred. [redacted] stayed on at the International Motor Hotel for a short period and was then hired by the Sahara South, a motel in Cicero, Illinois. FRED C. WALTERS advised this motel had been owned by [redacted] (PH), who had reportedly incurred some difficulty with the Internal Revenue Service and the FBI, according to Chicago newspapers.

E.C. AMBERSTAR
In 3/63, the Executive Inn Motor Hotels Corporation was searching for a manager for the Town and Country Motel, Calumet City. [redacted] was suggested for this position by [redacted] Glen Ellyn, Illinois. [redacted] formerly a full-time employee of the Executive Inn Motor Hotels Corporation, is presently associated with the corporation as food and beverage director for 50% of his time, also working as an independent. Based on [redacted] recommendation, [redacted] was hired in 4/63 as manager of the Town and Country Motel after he returned from a European vacation. [redacted] has continued in this position to the present time.

DIRECTOR - EXECUTIVE INN MOTOR HOTELS CORP.
Mr. FRED C. WALTERS advised any management employee of the company who ordinarily would work his way up in its operation would generally submit an application for employment. He stated others, however, including [redacted] who were hired on a recommendation of someone in the company for a management position might not submit such an application.

He noted, however, the company is somewhat protected in that such employees are obviously bonded.

In view of the above, no background information is available concerning [] and the company does not have such information concerning such employees as bartenders who are engaged in this employment at the Town and Country Motel.

Mr. FRED C. WALTERS volunteered in view of FBI interest in the Town and Country Motel and in [] he and his brother are concerned over their investment in this motel, pointing out the possibility of a forfeiture of the security deposit of \$100,000 if certain standards are not maintained by them.

He stated his concern was only accelerated by FBI inquiries which follow the receipt of a letter received by his office on 8/30/63.

A copy of this letter and the envelope is enclosed for the information of the Bureau and Chicago.

ILL.
[] referred to in the above letter is an office employee of the Town and Country Motel.

Mr. FRED C. WALTERS advised that acting on this letter he determined telephone number BA 1-9195 in Chicago is listed to [] and early 9/3/63 placed a long distance telephone call to this number. He advised [] informed him he is employed as the night bartender at the Town and Country Motel. He stated he informed [] he had received his letter, but that this individual expressed complete ignorance concerning it. Mr. WALTERS pointed out he did not discuss contents of the letter with [] and only commented the letter indicated the writer had wished to discuss "certain conditions" at the motel with him. He also noted that inasmuch as [] appeared to know nothing of this letter, he concluded their conversation. WALTERS stated within five minutes he received a long distance telephone call from [] in Chicago who

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inquired as to the reason for his telephone call to [] WALTERS stated he insisted in his conversation with [] he merely had received a letter ostensibly signed by [] inquiring as to "certain conditions" at the Town and Country Motel and did not know of what this letter was all about.

Following this, he stated he discussed this matter at length with his brother JOHN B. WALTERS and concluded they could, on the basis of this allegation, either discharge [] from his employment or place an employee in the motel in an undercover capacity to find out what was going on.

WALTERS volunteered the operation of the motel under [] has been profitable and that numerous unannounced visits there by JOHN WALTERS and himself as well as other officials of the company have noted no off-color activity. He stated the only complaints received by the company concerning [] management have been two petty personnel grievances by a night hostess in the restaurant and a chamber maid in the motel.

FRED C. WALTERS stated his son had managed the Town and Country Motel initially for the corporation during the period subsequent to its acquisition and had received information, the source of which is unknown to them, that the Town and Country Motel was owned by the "syndicate". He stated he personally believed this rumor was brought on because his operation, while non-union, was not at the time incurring union pressure experienced by other restaurants and motels in that area of Chicago. He advised he does not understand why they were left alone and pointed out some places were even bombed during this period.

FRED C. WALTERS and his brother JOHN B. WALTERS indicated they wished to cooperate with the FBI fully in

this matter. They stated they would not make any reference of the above facts to other offices or employees and volunteered the following:

X At the present time, a training employee, [] is engaged as assistant manager of the Town Terrace Motel in Louisville, Kentucky, operated by their cooperation. [] is described as a retired colonel from the U.S. Army.

WALTERS stated they have been planning to promote [] and have tentatively offered to move him to a better position in Indianapolis, and that [] is aware of the possibility of a transfer. He stated they have, in view of the above letter, considered offering [] instead the position of assistant manager under [] at the Town and Country Motel in Calumet City. They pointed out this would be a promotion for [] and would also satisfy their alternative proposition to place someone in a position at that motel to find out what is going on.

Mr. WALTERS advised that if the FBI is interested in this proposal, they would be happy to offer such a transfer to [] and make him available for furnishing information to the FBI in the event he accepts the job.

It is suggested Chicago consider this proposal and make its recommendations to the Bureau in this regard.

In view of the above, prompt consideration by Chicago should be given in order that Cincinnati may advise FRED C. WALTERS as to any decision made by the Bureau.

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ENCLOSURE

Town & Country Motor Hotel

150 AIR CONDITIONED UNITS - SWIMMING POOL - TELEPHONES

FREE RADIO & TELEVISION IN EVERY ROOM

RESTAURANT & COCKTAIL LOUNGE - ROOM SERVICE

CALUMET EXPRESSWAY AT SIBLEY BOULEVARD

CALUMET CITY, ILLINOIS

CALUMET CITY PHONE TORRENCE 2-2500 - CHICAGO PHONE INTEROCEAN 8-3900

TWX CG-3518

Executive Offices:

7911 Reading Road

Cincinnati 37, Ohio

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Mr. Walters:

I am writing you about a confidential matter that is of great benefit to you, and I hope you keep it confidential. I am [redacted] the night bar-tender and I feel that there are things happening here that you must not know about.

I actually have to manage the lounge alone, as [redacted] never comes in--he spends all his time with the woman he lives with across the street. When he does come in, he looks just like the D. P. that people call him, as he wears sweaters and uses the most outrageous language. He has "hoodlums" all over the motel and they are as nasty to people as he is. I have been managing this place since Mr. Calhoun was here, because [redacted] was nice, but he didn't know anything about the lounge.

[redacted] and that alcoholic [redacted] are a real joke. Neither of them knows or cares what is happening here. We did have a nice place at one time but everyone that comes in (of our old customers) talks about the steady decline now.

I am not interested in personal advancement, I just want to see the place back on its old footing.

My home address is:

[redacted]
Chicago, Ill

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Town & Country Motel
(Calumet City)

International Motor Hotel
(Schiller Park)

CINCINNATI, OHIO

Mayfair Motel

Drake Motel

North Plaza Motel

Town Center Motel

Executive Inn

(Opens June '62)

DALLAS, TEXAS

Executive Inn

DAYTON, OHIO

Gateway Motel

Drake Motel

Terrace Motel

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

Executive Inn

Gateway Motel

Mayfair Motel

Meadows Motel

LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

Standiford Motel

Towne Terrace

Executive Inn

(Opens March '62)

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

Admiralty Motor Hotel

TUCSON, ARIZONA

Executive Inn

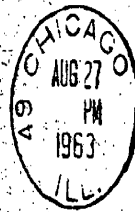
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AFTER 6 DAYS, RETURN TO



Chicago, Ill.



VIA AIR MAIL

Mr. Walters Executive Inn
P. O. Box 37397
7911 Reading Road
Cincinnati, 37, Ohio

9/19/63

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TO: SAC, Cincinnati

FROM: Director, FBI 92-5993-256

**FRANK LA PORTE
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Re Cincinnati memo 9/9/63 and CGairtel 9/17/63.

Inasmuch as the Chicago Office, which is origin in this matter, makes no recommendation that the offer to place an Assistant Manager at the Town and Country Motel, Calumet City, Illinois, be accepted, and in the absence of stronger facts indicating the existence of ITAR or other violations within the Bureau's jurisdiction, it does not appear desirable at this time to participate in a proposed plan to place a person at the motel to detect possible violations, and Mr. Fred C. Walters should be appropriately advised.

In view of the indication received from Mr. Walters that he and his brother are concerned over their investment in this motel and the possibility of a forfeiture of security deposit, Cincinnati be most circumspect in contacts with Walters in order that there will be absolutely no basis for any possible responsibility attached to the Bureau for any action which Mr. Walters may become involved in in this regard. You must be sure that the Bureau's interest is fully protected and that there is no possibility of embarrassment.

Mr. Walters should be advised that we would be interested in any information coming to his attention concerning a possible violation.

1 - Chicago NOTE: CG received info that top hoodlum Frank LaPorte and his associates may have gained control of the Town and Country Motel, Calumet City, Ill., and that ITAR violations might be occurring. In developing background info on this motel, Cincinnati talked to Fred C. Walters, the individual holding the license for the motel. Walters indicated he had a previous complaint of possible hood activities at the motel, but did not have specific info & indicated that he was concerned because of the possibility that a security deposit of \$100,000 made to the owners of the motel could possibly be forfeited if certain standards were not maintained. He indicated that an individual presently being trained for advancement in connection with other motels operated by the organization which runs the Town and Country Motel could be placed in a position of

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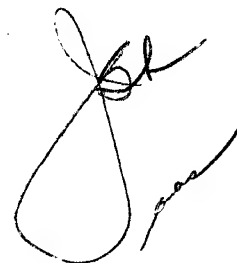
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Airtel to Cincinnati
Re: Frank LaPorte

Assistant Manager at the Town and Country Motel to report on activities there if the FBI desired such an arrangement.

Based on available info it does not appear desirable to enter into such an arrangement, inasmuch as we might become involved to some degree in subsequent developments at the motel and also in view of the fact that we do not now have any substantial indication of Bureau violations occurring at the motel.

A handwritten signature, possibly reading "J. Edgar Hoover", is written in dark ink on the right side of the page.

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Date: 9/17/63

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)
SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, aka
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(OO: CHICAGO)

Re Cincinnati airtel to Bureau 9/9/63 in which it was requested that Chicago consider a proposal to place an assistant manager at the Town and Country Motel, Calumet City, Illinois.

Chicago does not feel that it is in a position to recommend any person for such a position. It should be pointed out to Mr. WALTERS that in the event any change is made in his personnel at Calumet City, the Chicago FBI Office would be interested in receiving any information which would reflect upon the activities of organized crime in this area.

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Date: 9/26/63

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)

FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (92-582) (RUC)

SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, Aka.
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(OO: Chicago)

Re Chicago airtel, 9/17/63, and Bureau airtel, 9/19/63.

On 9/25/63, FRED C. WALTERS was contacted and advised per instructions contained in re Bureau airtel.

Mr. WALTERS advised he understood the position of the FBI in this matter and stated he will definitely on his own responsibility transfer an employee he can trust to the position of Assistant Manager of the Town and Country Motel, Calumet City, Illinois under [redacted]

WALTERS advised he did not know whether this employee would be [redacted] or some other individual.

He stated that should any information of interest to the FBI come to his attention either directly or as a result of his placing an employee in such a position at this motel, he will immediately notify the FBI.

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| TITLE OF CASE FRANK LA PORTE, aka, | | REPORT MADE BY SA THOMAS W. PARRISH | TYPED BY lmv |
| | | CHARACTER OF CASE AR | |

REFERENCE: Report of SA THOMAS W. PARRISH dated 8/14/63,
Chicago.

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ENCLOSURES: TO BUREAU (2)

Two copies of letterhead memo reflecting
characterization of informants.

LEADS

Investigative leads to other field offices
are being set forth by other separate communications.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Will continue to investigate subject's background
and activities.

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| APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i> | SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW | |
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INFORMANTS

| <u>Informant</u> | <u>Identity</u> | <u>Contacting Agent and Date</u> |
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| CG T-1 | [REDACTED] | SA [REDACTED] 8/8/63 |
| CG T-2 | Investigator [REDACTED] Illinois Narcotics Bureau | SA THOMAS W. PARRISH 9/23/63 |
| CG T-3 | [REDACTED] | SA THOMAS W. PARRISH 8/7/63 |
| CG T-4 | PCI [REDACTED] [REDACTED] | SA THOMAS W. PARRISH |
| CG T-5 | PCI [REDACTED] | SA [REDACTED] 7/18/63 |
| CG T-6 | Corporal [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Illinois State Police | SA THOMAS W. PARRISH 7/19/63 |
| CG T-7 | [REDACTED] | SA [REDACTED] 8/20/63 |
| CG T-8 | [REDACTED] (by request) | SA THOMAS W. PARRISH 8/13/63 |
| CG T-9 | [REDACTED] | SA THOMAS W. PARRISH 8/12/63 |
| CG T-10 | [REDACTED] Internal Revenue Service | SA THOMAS W. PARRISH |
| CG T-11 | PCI [REDACTED] [REDACTED] | SA [REDACTED] 8/7/63 |
| CG T-12 | [REDACTED] | SA THOMAS W. PARRISH |
| CG T-13 | [REDACTED] | SA [REDACTED] 9/16/63 |

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1-USA, Chicago

Report of: SA THOMAS W. PARRISH

Office: Chicago

Date: 10/11/63

Field Office File No.: 92-920

Bureau File No.:

Title: FRANK LA PORTE

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Subject continues to maintain an address of 1730 Cambridge Road, Flossmoor, Illinois. He rarely stays at this residence. When at the residence parks his automobile next door at his brother-in-law's house. Subject continues to spend some of his time with his paramour [redacted] Riverdale, Illinois. A warehouse in Joliet, Illinois containing slot machines believed to belong to the subject, was entered with a Federal Search Warrant and \$50,000 worth of machines and parts recovered by FBI. Machines are presently awaiting destruction by United States Marshal, Chicago. Subject's legal activities and enterprises set forth. Subject's possible future retirement from organized crime reported as furnished by informants.

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DETAILS:

RESIDENCE

Chief CLIFFORD PAULING, Flossmoor, Illinois, Police Department continues to furnish license numbers of automobiles observed in the driveway of subject and his relatives' residence in Flossmoor. PAULING stated that other cars have been observed in the driveway but their numbers could not be obtained because of the distance of the streets. Large signs stating "no trespassing", prevented the men under his command from entering the property in order to obtain additional numbers.

On September 27, 1963, the subject and an unknown white male were observed traveling South on Florence Avenue at 145th Street, Calumet City, Illinois. They continued South to Flossmoor, Illinois, where the subject parked his 1963 bronze Buick in the driveway of his brother-in-law TED BARTUSIEWICZ. Both individuals entered the house. The only other auto in the driveway was a green 1963 Buick belonging to [redacted], an employee of the Cooperative Music Company in Chicago Heights. It is noted that on previous occasions when subject is known to be in his Flossmoor residence, his car is always parked at the BARTUSIEWICZ residence. Sergeant [redacted] Flossmoor Police Department, advised in his opinion there is an underground passage between the houses of LA PORTE and BARTUSIEWICZ. He could give no special reason for this opinion.

By communication dated July 29, 1963, San Francisco Office advised that inquiry in that area developed no information that the subject purchased or made inquiries about purchasing real estate in the Lyndon, California, area. It appeared that the purchasing of real estate was likely an excuse manufactured by the subject's sister and brother-in-law in order to cover the subject's visit to the Lyndon area.

RELATIVES

On August 22, 1963, the "Chicago Heights Star," a biweekly newspaper contained an article which reads in part as follows:

"A miscellaneous shower for Miss JERI PULCINI, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. MARTIN PULCINI, 1741 Cambridge, Flossmoor, Illinois, was recently held at the Catholic War Veterans Hall, Chicago Heights. Some 250 guests were present.

"Hostesses at a personal shower, held in the Martinique Restaurant for Miss PULCINI were Miss MARY ALICE CURY, and Miss GLADIS MATALONI. Guests numbered 130.

"Miss PULCINI will become the bride of NORMAN CARDILLI, son of Mr. and Mrs. CARDILLI, 803 E'Amico Drive, Chicago Heights, Illinois."

Chicago T-1 advised on August 8, 1963, that [redacted] whose mother resides in Morton Grove, Illinois, is a cousin to FRANK LA PORTE. [redacted] is a bookkeeper for the Near North Side Strip joint and small businesses controlled by the near North side hoodlum element. He is now keeping books for Mary Lou's in Melrose Park, Illinois. [redacted] was keeping the books free of charge and stated that Mary Lou's was owned by SAM GIANCANA and ran for him by SAM BATTAGLIA. The source advised that Mary Lou's is becoming a hangout for the West side group of hoodlums.

ASSOCIATES

[redacted]
Riverdale, Illinois

On September 4, 1963, at 3:15 AM, Officer [redacted] Riverside, Illinois, Police Department telephonically advised that at the present time he had just observed a bronze 1962 Buick bearing 1963 Illinois license 956816 registered to FRANK FRAZE, Flossmoor, Illinois, drive up

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to 13927 South Clark Street, Riverdale, Illinois. When the occupant of the car saw the police car he drove away but later returned. Officer [] advised that he did not note if the driver was LA PORTE or some other individual.

Chicago T-2 advised on September 22, 1963 that the subject's paramour, [] was presently in an unknown hospital in the South Cook County Area.

Inquiry at Ingles Memorial Hospital, Harvey, Illinois, was negative regarding a patient by the name of []. On September 23, 1963, Sister [] Administrator, St. James Hospital, Chicago Heights, Illinois, advised that [] was presently a patient in room 621. Her Doctor is Doctor [] 10th Street Clinic. Sister [] advised that she could not determine the length of time that [] will remain a patient but it would probably be for at least three additional days. Observance at the St. James Hospital during the afternoon and evening hours failed to reflect that the subject visited [] room.

On September 24, 1963 at 11:05 Sister [] advised that [] had been unexpectedly released from the hospital at 10:45 AM. She was accompanied from the hospital by two white males, one of whom appeared similar to the subject according to Sister []. [] entire hospital bill was paid in cash by one of the male individuals.

On September 24, 1963, the subject's 1963 bronze Buick bearing license 956816 was observed in the parking area utilized by the tenants of [].

[] an employee of the subject's Corporated Music Company was observed entering the apartment of [] at 12:20 PM. [] was observed leaving the apartment and entering the subject's auto which proceeded toward Chicago Heights, Illinois. The subject did not accompany him.

JOSEPH L. COSTELLO(deceased)
99 West. Interocean,
South Chicago Heights, Illinois

On August 5, 1963, Chief ROBERT OBSTOLTZ advised that Officer [] of his department at 11:43 AM received a radio call that an ambulance was needed at 99 West Interocean Avenue. At the address Officer LEVIN found JOSEPH COSTELLO, white male, age 43 sitting in a lounge chair with a sub-nosed pistol in his right hand. Investigation indicated that a bullet had entered the right side of his head and came out the left side. Officer [] then called the family physician [] Chicago Heights, Illinois, who pronounced COSTELLO dead. At the scene there were no signs of violence and to the victim's left on a small table was a note leaning against his son's picture. It was addressed to [] (his wife and son). It was established at the scene that the note was in COSTELLO's handwriting.

Mrs VERA COSTELLO stated that her husband had been despondent regarding financial problems and his inability to sleep at nights. The note left by COSTELLO indicated that he was concerned over financial matters and knew what he was doing.

At the time of the incident Mrs. COSTELLO was at home on the second floor. When she came down stairs to the living room she discovered the body and then called for an ambulance. The gun was described as a Smith and Wesson blue steel Chief's special, two inch barrel, 38 caliber, serial number 44864. Officer [] determined that the gun belonged to JOSEPH COSTELLO.

The Boston Office advised that the above gun had been sold to [] St. Louis, Missouri, which was subsequently sold to the South Side Sporting Goods Company, Kankakee, Illinois.

[] advised that the records which would describe the subsequent purchaser of the gun were in the possession of the United States Postal Inspector, Kankakee, Illinois. Postal Inspector [] Chicago, Illinois, advised that the records of

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the Sporting Goods Company for 1954, 1955 and 1956, had been subpoenaed by the Grand Jury in Chicago, Illinois, in a case entitled Armed Robbery involving the McGEE Brothers, and that he would attempt to locate the record that would reflect the disposition of the gun. As of September 27, 1963, Inspector [] has been unable to locate a record reflecting the disposition of the above gun.

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The "Chicago Sun Times" dated August 6, 1963, carried an article which reads in part:

"JOSEPH L. COSTELLO, 43, an associate of crime syndicate rackets shot himself to death Monday. A note found beside his body by his wife VERA said he was in financial difficulty.

"Federal Agents and Sheriff Policemen have been putting heavy pressure on gambling operations and other rackets in South Cook County. COSTELLO, an official of the Chicago Heights Distributing Company, a liquor Company, was listed by Federal Agents as their top catch when they raided 38 horse betting establishments in South Cook County in April. COSTELLO was taken before a special Federal Grand Jury investigating gambling. His appearance lasted twenty minutes.

He was described as a henchman of FRANK LA PORTE, a syndicate racket chief. COSTELLO'S father, CHARLES was a one time Lieutenant for AL CAPONE in Chicago Heights, and his uncle SAM COSTELLO was shot to death in Chicago Heights in 1938 during a gang war.

"On August 6, 1963 a verdict of suicide was returned by a Coroner's Jury after an inquest into the death of JOSEPH L. COSTELLO."

Chicago T-3 advised that on May 4, 1962, JOSEPH COSTELLO borrowed \$30,000 at 4½ percent interest for a 24 month period from the Manchester Bank of St. Louis. During the early part of 1962, COSTELLO and RALPH EMERY withdrew \$26,500 from the Regal Vending Machine Company. On April 11, 1963, COSTELLO and EMERY withdrew \$22,500 from the Citizens Savings and Loan, Chicago Heights.

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The check read payable to

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Informant stated the rumor was out that EMERY was pressing COSTELLO for payment and that COSTELLO had recently lost over \$200,000 on gambling adventures.

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Date September 4, 1963

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The records of [redacted]
[redacted] as checked by SA ROBERT L. BENDER on August 29, 1963,
reflected the following information:

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The above information is confidential and can only be
obtained by the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum directed to
[redacted] Auditor, [redacted]
[redacted]

On 8/29/63 at St. Louis, Missouri File # SL 92-557
by SA ROBERT L. BENDER/mvw Date dictated 8/30/63

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On August 6, 1963, a wake and funeral was held for JOSEPH L. COSTELLO. The following list of persons and automobiles were observed at the wake and funeral:

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| 3357 | Wake | <div></div> Chicago, Ill. |
| 5242 | Wake | <div></div> Dixmoor, Ill. |
| 6800 | Wake | <div></div> Steger, Ill. |
| 70-240 | Funeral | <div></div> Pontiac, Ill. |
| 73-113 | Wake | <div></div> Chicago, Heights, Ill. |
| 90-123 | Wake | LOUIS J. ROSSETTI 245 W. Sauk Trail Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 109-007 | Wake | <div></div> Chicago, Ill. |
| 133-855 | Wake & Funeral | <div></div> Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 154-941 | Wake | <div></div> Kincaid, Ill. |
| 262-447 | Wake | George Gervase 4132 Custer Ave. Lyons, Ill. |
| 282-741 | Funeral | Model Finance Co. 91 E. 15th St. Chicago Heights, Ill. |

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Wake

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Chicago, Heights, Ill.

314-100

Wake

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Chicago Heights, Ill.

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Wake &
Funeral

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

336-603

Wake &
Funeral

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

336-605

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

352-918

Funeral

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

399-687

Funeral

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

406-713

Wake

[REDACTED]

McHenry, Ill.

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Thornton, Ill.

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Wake

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Park Forest, Ill.

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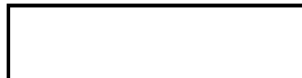
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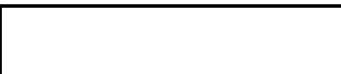
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Chicago Heights, Ill.

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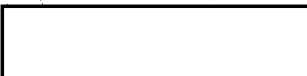
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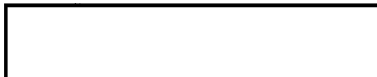
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Chicago, Illinois

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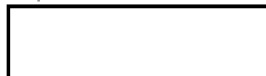
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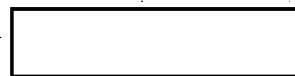
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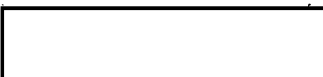
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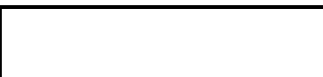
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Chicago Heights, Ill.

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Wake

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Tinley Park, Ill.

906-646

Wake

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Chicago Heights, Ill.

906-828

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Wake

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South Holland, Ill.

907-361

Wake

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Chicago Heights, Ill.

907-367

Wake

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Chicago Heights, Ill.

907-356

Wake

TED BARTUSIEWICZ
436 E. 22nd St.
Chicago Heights, Ill.

908-982

Wake

[REDACTED]

Kankakee, Ill.

909-764

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Height, Ill.

909-768

Funeral

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Chicago Heights, Ill.

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Wake

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Kankakee, Ill.

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| 921-433 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 921-435 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 929-270 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 932-358 | Wake | Suburban Heating Co. 1101 W. End Ave. Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 921-441 | Wake Funeral | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 921-664 | Wake | [REDACTED] South Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 923-555 | Wake Funeral | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 924-629 | Wake | City Beverage Co. 1312 McKinley Chicago Heights, Ill. |

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| 924-647 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago, Ill. |
| 924-933 | Wake Funeral | ANTHONY FRANZE 1308 Dixie Hwy. Flossmoor, Ill. |
| 935-535 | Wake | [REDACTED] Steger, Ill. |
| 936-627 | Funeral | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 936-628 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 940-598 | Funeral | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 941-210 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 941-212 | Wake Funeral | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 942-003 | Wake Funeral | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |

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Chicago Heights, Ill.

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Funeral

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Chicago Heights, Ill.

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Funeral

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Chicago Heights, Ill.

942-011

Wake

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Chicago Heights, Ill.

942-647

Wake

[REDACTED]

Markham, Ill.

942-781

Wake

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Steer, Ill.

942-819

Wake
Funeral

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Chicago Heights, Ill.

942-931

Funeral

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South Chicago Heights, Ill.

942-932

Wake

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Chicago Heights, Ill.

943-910

Wake

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Skokie, Ill.

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Wake

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Chicago Heights, Ill.

944-502

Wake

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Chicago Heights, Ill.

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| 944-541 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 944-885 | Wake | [REDACTED] Calumet City, Ill. |
| | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
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| 948-531 | Funeral | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 951-608 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 956-813 | Wake | Co-operative Music Co. 1728 Halsted St. Chicago Heights, Ill. |

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| <u>LICENSE NUMBER</u> | <u>WAKE FUNERAL</u> | <u>REGISTERED TO</u> |
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| 956-858 | Wake Funeral | JOE NARDI 638 E. 162 St. South Holland, Ill. |
| 956-875 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 956-941 | Wake Funeral | [REDACTED] Steger, Ill. |
| 956-944 | Wake | [REDACTED] Steger, Ill. |
| 959-826 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 959-878 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago, Ill. |
| 960-228 | Wake | [REDACTED] Calumet City, Ill. |
| 960-440 | Funeral | [REDACTED] Homewood, Ill. |
| 960-570 | Wake | [REDACTED] Evergreen Park, Ill. |
| 961-524 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |

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WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

965-030

Wake

[REDACTED]
Steger, Ill.

969-122

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

972-302

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

973-484

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

974-973

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

975-674

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

975-834

Wake

[REDACTED]
Flossmoor, Ill.

982-009

Wake

[REDACTED]
Steger, Ill.

982-368

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

987-755

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

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| 995-296 | Wake | [REDACTED] Steger, Ill. |
| 995-255 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 998-755 | Wake | [REDACTED] Steger, Ill. |
| 998-979 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| AM-1743 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| AP-8344 | Wake | Imperial Car Leasing 434 N. Harrison Kankakee, Ill. |
| AR-5762 | Wake | LEO J. SERAFINI 3521 173rd Pl. Lansing, Ill. |
| AS-3292 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| BG-8969 | Funeral | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| CF-5426 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago, Ill. |

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WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

CG-8283

Funeral

Int'l. Hod Carriers
Local #5
2318 Chicago Rd.
Chicago Heights, Ill.

CM-1832

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

CP-4104

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

CR-5891

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

CX-9421

Wake

[REDACTED]
Pontiac, Ill.

DE-3351

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

DM-6251

Wake

The Garofalo Co.
99 S. Water
Chicago, Ill.

DM-7970

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

DN-7970

Wake

[REDACTED]
Freeport, Ill.

DR-7650

Wake

[REDACTED]
Elgin, Ill.

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WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

DT-1568

Wake

[REDACTED]
River Forest, Ill.

EM-7769

Wake

[REDACTED]
Coal City, Ill.

EM-7771

Funeral

[REDACTED]
Coal City, Ill.

EN-6251

Wake

[REDACTED]
Quincy, Ill.

FB-1373

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

FB-1676

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

FR-4410

Funeral

MANISCALCO Funeral Home
441 W. North Ave.
Chicago, Ill.

FS-7776

Wake

[REDACTED]
Skokie, Ill.

FT-4539

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

FX-2207

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

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WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

GM-5670

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

GS-3826

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

ET-9170

Funeral

[REDACTED]
Lemont, Ill.

HA-1986

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

HA-2816

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HA-2869

Wake

[REDACTED]
Blue Island, Ill.

HA-5036

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HA-6214

Wake

PHIL BACINO
14163rd St.
Calumet City, Ill.

HA-6535

Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HA-6574

Wake

[REDACTED]
Steger, Ill.

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WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

HA-6739

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago, Ill.

HB-6375

Funeral

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

HB-6385

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

HB-6510

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

HB-6619

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

HB-9701

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

HB-9702

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

HC-1652

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

HC-1653

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

HC-3916

Wake

[REDACTED]

Kankakee, Ill.

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WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

HC-6246

Funeral

[REDACTED]
Riverdale, Ill.

HC-8300

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HC-8599

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HC-8695

Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HC-9901

Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

HD-7153

Wake

Cooks Office Equipment
1644 Vincennes
Chicago Heights, Ill.

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HD-7741

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

HD-8461

Wake

[REDACTED]
South Chicago Heights, Ill.

HE-2224

Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HE-2489

Funeral

[REDACTED]
South Chicago Heights, Ill.

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LICENSE
NUMBER

WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

HE-4122

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

HE-6739

Wake

[REDACTED]
South Holland, Ill.

HF-1301

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HF-9479

Wake

[REDACTED]
Steger, Ill.

HF-9503

Wake

[REDACTED]
South Chicago Heights, Ill.

HF-9585

Wake
Funeral

FRANK C. COSTELLO
874 Leslie Ave.
Kankakee, Ill.

HG-1581

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HG-1726

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HG-2449

Wake

[REDACTED]
Calumet City, Ill.

HG-2451

Wake

JAMES COAL CO.
5821 S. Halsted St.
Chicago, Ill.

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LICENSE
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WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

HG-8186

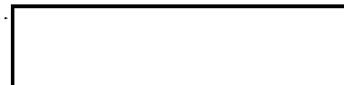
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Chicago Heights, Ill.

HG-8698

Wake



South Chicago Heights, Ill.

HH-1753

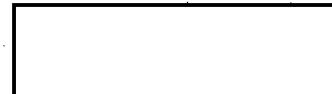
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Chicago, Ill.

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Wake
Funeral



Steger, Ill.

HH-2263

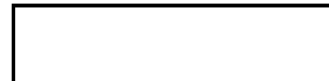
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Chicago Heights, Ill.

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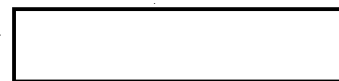
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Chicago Heights, Ill.

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Wake



South Chicago Heights, Ill.

HH-3147

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Funeral

JOHN A. COSTELLO
308 Irving
Chicago Heights, Ill.

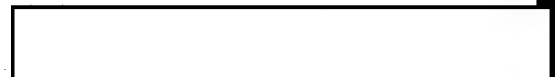
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Wake

JOSEPH A. BATTAGLIA
205 Country Club Rd.
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HH-8787

Wake



Chicago Heights, Ill.

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WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

HJ-4094

Wake

[REDACTED]
Floosmoor, Ill.

HJ-4304

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HJ-4308

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HJ-4317

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HJ-4318

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HJ-8800

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HK-2931

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HK-5059

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HK-7064

Wake

[REDACTED]
Steger, Ill.

HK-8090

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

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WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

HK-8092

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HK-8132

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HL-1679

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HL-2906

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HL-4356

Wake

VENDITTI Furniture Inc.
343 E. 115th St.
Chicago, Ill.

HL-4802

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HL-5924

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HM-2570

Funeral

[REDACTED]
Steger, Ill.

HM-4012

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HM-4369

Wake

[REDACTED]
Midlothian, Ill.

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| HM-4452 | Wake | JOHN [REDACTED] LUZI 218 W. Normandy Dr. Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| HM-5976 | Wake | [REDACTED] Steger, Ill. |
| HM-8061 | Wake Funeral | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| HM-8234 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| HM-8271 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| HN-3876 | Wake | [REDACTED] Lansing, Ill. |
| HN-4265 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| HN-4369 | Wake | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| HN-4868 | Wake Funeral | [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| HP-3784 | Wake | [REDACTED] 3544 W. 83rd Pl. |

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WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

HP-7339

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HP-9245

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HS-3326

Wake

[REDACTED]
Bourbonnais, Ill.

HS-3816

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HS-3826

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HS-9666

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HT-6456

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HT-7873

Wake

[REDACTED]
Steger, Ill.

HU-6581

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HV-7684

Wake
Funeral

JOSEPH J. COSTELLO SR.
309 M. Water St.
Wilmington, Ill.

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WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

HW-2732

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]

Glenwood, Ill.

HW-5195

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

HW-5216

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

HX-6235

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

HX-8968

Wake

[REDACTED]

Ill.

HX-9020

Wake

JOSEPH N. BATTAGLIA
897 S. Third Ave.
Kankakee, Ill.

HY-3090

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

HY-3140

Wake
Funeral

RALPH EMERY
848 Memorial Dr.
Chicago Heights, Ill.

HY-5762

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

HY-5897

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

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WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

NY-6762

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

JB-3310

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

JB-5053

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

JC-1100

Wake
Funeral

JOS. A. COSTELLO
521 Winston Lane
Chicago Heights, Ill.

JC-1869

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

JC-1944

Wake
Funeral

JOHN J. COSTELLO
1944 Linden St.
Kankakee, Ill.

JC-2412

Wake
Funeral

JOHN S. COSTELLO
1412 Schilling
Chicago Heights, Ill.

JC-2443

Wake

[REDACTED]
East St. Louis, Ill.

JC-2468

Wake
Funeral

JOHN V. COSTELLO
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Champaign, Ill.

JC-6443

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Chicago, Ill.

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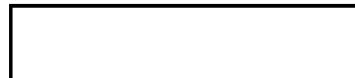
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JD-5029

Funeral



Chicago Heights, Ill.

JD-9380

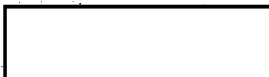
Wake



Blue Island, Ill.

JG-1308

Wake



Peoria, Ill.

JP-4006

Funeral

PAGORIA'S Garage &
Auto Parts
147 E. 14th St.
Chicago Heights, Ill.

JP-6060

Funeral

PAGORIA'S Garage &
Auto Parts
147 E. 14th St.
Chicago Heights, Ill.

JW-2330

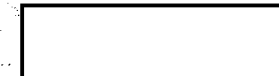
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JX-1333

Wake



Chicago Heights, Ill.

KA-2916

Wake



Flossmoor, Ill.

KM-3580

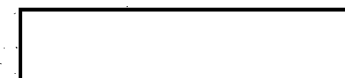
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Blue Island, Ill.

LD-2135

Wake
Funeral



Chicago, Ill.

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FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

LL-3106

Wake

[REDACTED]
Glenview, Ill.

LM-4413

Wake

[REDACTED]
Lincolnwood, Ill.

LP-2660

Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

LP-2860

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

MB-5282

Wake

[REDACTED]
Lockport, Ill.

MB-7164

Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

MB-7807

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

MD-5904

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Illinois

MD-7673

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

ME-6217

Wake

[REDACTED]
Hickory Hills, Ill.

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WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

ME-7206

Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

ME-9344

Wake

[REDACTED]
Melrose Park, Ill.

MF-3581

Wake

[REDACTED]
North Riverside, Ill.

MK-5778

Wake

[REDACTED]
Evanston, Ill.

ML-1200

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

MM-9200

Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

MM-9220

Wake
Funeral

Kankakee Distributing Co.
JOHN MACALUSE'
136 Charles St.
Kankakee, Ill.

MN-4785

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

MP-4539

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago, Ill.

MT-5778

Wake

[REDACTED]
Skokie, Ill.

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WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

NA-2224

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

NA-3447

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]

Kankakee, Ill.

NA-3760

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

NA-3795

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

NA-3805

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

NA-3819

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

NA-8518

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

NA-9007

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago Heights, Ill.

NA-9270

Wake

[REDACTED]

Chicago, Ill.

NB-5282

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]

Calumet City, Ill.

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WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

NB-6454

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

NC-6621

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

NC-6742

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

NC-7683

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

ND-5939

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

ND-9270

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

NE-3024

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

NE-3123

Wake

CORSO Liquor Store
JOE CORSO- 46 Illinois St.
Chicago Heights, Ill.

NE-5053

Wake

[REDACTED]
Steger, Ill.

NE-6217

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

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WAKE
FUNERAL

REGISTERED TO

NE-6218

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

NE-6682

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

NE-6784

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

NE-9344

Wake

[REDACTED]
Steger, Ill.

NE-9410

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

NF-4599

Wake

[REDACTED]
Kankakee, Ill.

NG-2433

Wake

B. & G. Mens Wear
1530 Halsted St.
Chicago Heights, Ill.

NG-2451

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

NG-2911

Wake
Funeral

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

NH-1087

Wake

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Ill.

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| NJ-2794 | Wake | <div></div> Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| NJ-5609 | Wake | <div></div> Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| JN-9033 | Wake | <div></div> South Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| NJ-1924 | | <div></div> South Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| NJ-9265 | Wake | <div></div> Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| NJ-9549 | Wake | <div></div> Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| NN-2679 | Wake | <div></div> Carpenterville, Ill. |
| NN-4785 | Wake | <div></div> Streator, Ill. |
| NN-6279 | Wake | <div></div> Chicago Heights, Ill. |

The following known hoodlums were observed by the reporting officers at the wake of JOHN L. COSTELLO:

WILLIAM "POTATOES" DADDANO

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GEORGE "BABE" TUFFANELLI
FRANK "SKID" CARUSO
WILLIAM PALERMO
JAMES CATUARA
RALPH EMERY

It was learned from a reliable source that
FRANK LA PORTE attended the wake.

AL ROSETTI
104 South Lawrence
Chicago, Illinois

Chicago T-4 previously advised that AL ROSETTI had
traveled to Las Vegas, Nevada. By letter dated August 12, 1963,
Las Vegas Office advised that on June 28, 1963, the
following hotels were contacted and their records searched
for the month of May, 1963, to determine if LA PORTE or
his associates, JIMMY CATUARO, JOE GUZZINO OR AL ROSETTI
were recorded as guests.

No records were found at the :

Hacienda Hotel
Tropicana Hotel
Sands Hotel
Flamingo Hotel
Desert Inn Hotel
Sahara Hotel
Riviera Hotel
Thunderbird Hotel
Dunes Hotel
Stardust Hotel
New Frontier Hotel

The records of the South Nevada Credit Bureau
and the records of the Clark County Sheriff's Office
reflected no reference to any of the above individuals.

On July 18, 1963, Chicago T-5 advised that
during May, 1963, she was contacted in Las Vegas by
AL ROSETTI who she knows from Calumet City, Illinois.
ROSETTI was in the company of JOE GUZZINO, WILLY PALERMO

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and a third individual from the Chicago area named JIMMY whom the informant believed to be JIMMY CATUARO. Informant stated that these four men had been in Las Vegas for approximately one week and were staying at the Riviera Hotel under assumed names. ROSETTI indicated that after leaving Chicago, Illinois, the group had been to Mexico and Phoenix, Arizona prior to coming to Las Vegas.

Chicago T-5 stated that she is acquainted with FRANK LA PORTE but he was not in the company of the above persons while they were in Las Vegas. The informant claimed that the four individuals visited several night spots including the Candlelight Lounge of the Flamingo Hotel. They never mentioned the purpose of their trip to Las Vegas; however, on one occasion PALERMO stated that he might return to Las Vegas in an effort to obtain a job as a dealer in an unnamed casino.

Informant stated that the group is well acquainted with [redacted] ex-boxer from the Chicago Area who is presently employed as a greeter in the Tropic Hotel. Informant knows that the individuals are well acquainted with [redacted] Manager, Villa d' Este Restaurant, 355 Convention Center Drive, Las Vegas. None of them mentioned [redacted] but that on another occasion they dined at the Steak House on Las Vegas Boulevard.

On August 28, 1963, Chicago T-4 advised that AL ROSETTI stated that he and (FNU) [redacted] (PH) were taking an evening flight to Las Vegas on business. The informant stated that [redacted] is in charge of the Illinois Motor Vehicle Registration at 9901 South Park Avenue, Chicago.

ROSETTI had previously indicated that he could have any type of title on licenses fixed through a friend, [redacted]

By communication dated September 9, 1963, the

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Las Vegas Office advised that Trans World Airlines and United Air Lines were checked for their arriving flights on August 28, 1963, and ROSETTI was not located on any of them.

On August 29, 1963, [] Manager, Riviera Hotel made available registration records for August 28 and 29, 1963, and the names of ROSETTI and [] could not be located. A photograph of ROSETTI was displayed to [] He advised that he did not believe that the individuals were presently guests at the Hotel.

Chicago T-5 was contacted and advised that she has not seen ROSETTI since his last visit to Las Vegas in May. She pointed out that if ROSETTI returned from Las Vegas he would in all probability contact her.

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Chicago T-4 advised on September 7, 1963, that ROSETTI had recently returned to Chicago and stated that he had flown to Mexico instead of Las Vegas with his friend []

He did not mention what part of Mexico they visited.

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[redacted]
Lincolnwood, Illinois

Previous investigation established that [redacted] visited FRANK LA PORTE while LA PORTE was a patient at St. James Hospital. They were overheard discussing a mutual interest in a legitimate business. It was later established that [redacted] and FRANK LUZI incorporated the F & R Distributors and that [redacted] was acting as a saleswoman in the corporation.

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The "Chicago Daily News", a daily newspaper, on September 11, 1963, carried an article which reads in part as follows:

Band leader RALPH MARTERIE was arrested Monday and accused of arranging a meeting between three undercover vice detectives and an alleged prostitute. MARTERIE was charged with soliciting for prostitution. Police also arrested DIANA GUESS, 29, of 1606 East 50th Place, Chicago, owner of Diana's Lamplighter, 16 East Huron, Chicago, where the vice detectives said they met MARTERIE. Sergeant MILDICE of the Vice Squad said MARTERIE was cooperative until police found in his possession a slip of paper with the name, address and telephone number of FELIX (MILWAUKEE PHIL) ALDERISIO, syndicate hoodlum.

MILDICE said MARTERIE refused to answer questions about the possibility that the syndicate was moving in on the Lamplighter; whether ALDERISIO had an interest in the Lamplighter or whether he knew anything about the bombing of the place recently. MARTERIE denied prostitution was involved.

CG T-6 advised that Diana's Lamplighter has Illinois Liquor License 22849, issued May 16, 1963, to

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Diana's, Incorporated. The officers are listed as [redacted] as President and Director; [redacted] Vice-President; and [redacted] as Director. [redacted] is listed as the sole shareholder. Informant advised that the operators of the Ed-Son Builders are [redacted]. On September 5, 1963, the apartment building at 5049 West 159th Street, Oak Forest, Illinois, received an explosion which appeared to be caused by dynamite. The informant noted that previously Diana's Lamplighter had also been bombed by what is known as a Molotov Cocktail. Informant stated that he has information that the Ed-Son Builders is controlled by hoodlums in South Cook County, Illinois, and was unable to furnish any specific information regarding the actual hoodlum money involved.

[redacted]

CG T-7 advised that in a recent conversation with [redacted] he was told that ANTHONY ACCARDO, ROSS PRIO and FRANK LA PORTE were visiting in the basement of his residence. In addition to the above, there were three other individuals in the basement but they did not hold any pertinent discussions with the others in the group. The informant advised that he does not know the identity of the other three individuals and that [redacted] did not indicate their names to the informant. At the same time [redacted] indicated that ACCARDO and PAUL "THE WAITER" RICCA are again becoming extremely active in the affairs of organized crime in the Chicago area and that this was possibly the reason for the meeting with LA PORTE and PRIO.

[redacted]

Oak Forest, Illinois

CG T-3 advised that [redacted] Also Known As [redacted] has purchased a run-down grocery store at 15644 South Cicero Avenue. The purchase was made on June 13, 1963. He subsequently obtained a package liquor store

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license and is in the process of remodeling the premises and will operate a supermarket-type store. His sons, [redacted] born in 1938, and [redacted] born in 1942, are fronting the ownership and carry the liquor license. [redacted] is constantly on the scene and resides in the back of the store. He claimed to the informant to have averaged \$20,000 per month in sales. [redacted] claimed the building is held in trust with the Cosmopolitan National Bank as the trustee. He values the ground and present building at \$80,000, subject to a present mortgage of \$60,000 which is payable at \$487.00 per month. While the informant was having a conversation with [redacted] the telephone rang and it was from a [redacted] became very serious and very polite and stated that "I'll have all the mortgage papers in south Chicago by 2:00, [redacted] It is noted that previous investigation established that [redacted] [redacted] operated "strip joints" for LA PORTE and [redacted] [redacted] Calumet City, prior to the closing of the "strip".

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In a general conversation with the informant, [redacted] stated he had previously operated a hotel at 4th and Franklin Street in Michigan City, Indiana, until early 1963. He claimed that [redacted] sold him the hotel late in 1962 subject to a \$160,000 mortgage. He claimed that [redacted] originally purchased the hotel for \$60,000 and then placed a \$160,000 mortgage on it. [redacted] also claimed he is presently operating [redacted] hotel at Union City, Indiana. Informant stated that it appears that the hoodlums are about to take over Oak Forest, Illinois, and that most of the "old gang" from Calumet City is settling in that area.

FRANK LUZI
212 West 29th Place
South Chicago Heights, Illinois

LUZI, the nephew of FRANK LA PORTE, was observed at the wake of FRANK PAUL RUSSO at the Montclair Funeral Home, 6901 West Belmont, Chicago. It is noted that RUSSO was the father-in-law of JACK CERONE, Chicago top hoodlum.

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Sergeant [] Harvey, Illinois, Police Department, advised on September 4, 1963, that another officer named [] had previously placed two revolvers in the police department vault. The guns belonged to FRANK LUZI and [] his partner in the F & L Bond Business. [] advised that LUZI's wife, [] had obtained the keys to his office on 154th Street in Harvey. She was in the office "tearing it up" when LUZI came in. LUZI called the police to get her out of the building. Officer [] went into the office, removed the guns from the desk of LUZI and [] and walked out, stating that they would have to settle their own marital troubles. [] stated that the gun taken from [] desk is a six-inch barrel Colt Python, 357 Magnum, Serial Number 25931, and the gun taken from LUZI's desk is a S & W Chief Special, Serial Number 28153. By communication dated September 6, 1963, the New Haven Office advised that the Colt Python, Serial Number 25931, was shipped January 29, 1963, to Sports and Hobbies, Incorporated, 22 Plaza, Park Forest, Illinois.

[] Owner, Sports and Hobbies, Incorporated, advised that the gun bearing Serial Number 25931 had been one of four guns taken in a burglary in March, 1963. Three guns were recovered and only the above gun is missing. The burglary was committed by two Chicago Heights, Illinois, youths who stated they placed the missing gun under the front seat of a friend's car. The friend, [] from Chicago Heights, Illinois, was interviewed by police officers and denied any knowledge of this gun.

The location of this gun was furnished to Chief WILLIAM HAMBY, Park Forest, Illinois, Police Department, who stated that he would attempt to obtain a search warrant in view of the fact that he contacted Harvey Police Department and was advised that [] came into their station and asked for the return of his and LUZI's guns. On October 1, 1963, Chief HAMBY advised

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that he had obtained a search warrant and searched the office of the F & L Bond Company in Harvey for over two hours but was unable to locate either weapon. He further advised that he did not locate any information reflecting upon the activities of FRANK LA PORTE. [] in interview with Chief HAMBY, denied all knowledge of the gun. HAMBY stated that he intends to confer with Chief MATT ROEMER of Harvey and explore possible criminal action against []

By communication dated September 13, 1963, the Boston Office advised that the S & W gun bearing Serial Number 28153 was shipped to [] Miami 30, Florida, on September 10, 1963. By communication dated September 27, 1963, the Miami Office advised that a physical check of east Flagner and a review of Miami city and telephone directories reflect there is no such address as 5 East Flagner Street. 5 West Flagner is a Walgreen's drugstore. It was noted that this is considered a main street in Miami. Miami city and telephone directories are negative regarding an individual named []. On September 25, 1963, IC [] advised that a check of the following agencies was negative regarding [] Miami Police Department, Miami Beach Police Department, Dade County Department of Public Safety, Miami Municipal Court and Miami Credit Bureau.

Lieutenant [] Park Forest, Illinois, Police Department, advised that prior to his entry on the police department he had been a business partner with FRANK LUZI in the City Cleaners located on Western Avenue in Chicago Heights, Illinois. He stated that he had gone to high school with LUZI and in 1949 they opened the above establishment. They did not have a cleaning plant and took their cleaning to Burnham Cleaners, Burnham, Illinois. ROMANO stated that he had the routes which included Park Forest and part of Chicago

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Heights while LUZI obtained the cleaning from the girls at all the "strip joints" in Calumet City. ROMANO stated that there was no hoodlum money involved in the operation inasmuch as the entire operation consisted of one delivery truck which cost less than \$1500 and was mortgaged most of the time. In 1951 LUZI approached him and stated that he was going to get out of the cleaning business because his "uncle" had made arrangements for him to operate a "book" in Calumet City, and was going to be paid \$100 a week. By this time they had two small panel trucks and ROMANO bought him out for \$1500. As soon as LUZI pulled out, he immediately lost all of the business from the "strip joints" in Calumet City and in addition lost all of the business of LUZI's relatives in Chicago Heights. ROMANO stated he does not recall what cleaning agency took over the cleaning and pressing of the girls' uniforms in Calumet City but assumes that it was the Burnham Cleaners in Burnham, Illinois. In 1952 ROMANO stated he sold the cleaning business to another individual.

ROMANO indicated that during the two years he was a business partner with LUZI it no time did he observe FRANK LA PORTE visiting with LUZI and further he does not recall any conversations where LUZI spoke of his uncle. ROMANO stated he could furnish no information regarding the present operation of the LA PORTE syndicate in Chicago Heights. He stated he is well acquainted with LUZI's father, RUGGERIO LUZI and knows that RUGGERIO has an intense dislike for LA PORTE and his operations. He stated he is quite positive that RUGGERIO would not be cooperative with any law enforcement agency.

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[] was contacted at the Five O'Clock Club, 159th and Burnham, Calumet City. He advised that he is presently working at the club as a courtesy to his friend, NICKI GUZZINO. [] admitted that he was the former owner of the Oaks Motel and that he is also a close friend of FRANK LA PORTE. He emphatically denied that LA PORTE or any other "so-called" hoodlums owned any part of it. He stated that he lost \$40,000 in the venture and that this was caused by his "running into" two confidence men. He refused to further describe his activities at the motel or his association with LA PORTE. He denied ownership of the Chez Nous in Chicago Heights but admitted that another close friend of his, FRANK LARGO, was the owner. He denied that he had any ownership in the Embers, stating that this new drive-in restaurant was owned by another friend, JOE GUZZINO. [] stated that he would like the interview terminated as he was extremely busy and did not further care to discuss his personal activities with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He emphatically stated that he is a law-abiding citizen and had nothing to hide.

NICK "SQUEEGIE" GUZZINO
Five O'Clock Club
Calumet City, Illinois

GUZZINO admitted ownership of the above club and immediately stated that there were no illegal activities carried on the premises. He specifically denied that there was any gambling or prostitution of any type. He admitted an acquaintanceship with FRANK LA PORTE but stated that he had never had any business dealings with him. He stated that because of the "crack-down" he is considering closing

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his tavern. He admitted that he enjoyed gambling but refused to state where he gambled or what type of gambling he participated in. He denied that he belongs to any type of syndicate or hoodlum organization and had no knowledge of "all this foolishness about outfits". He requested that the interview be terminated as business demands required his immediate attention.

[redacted] (phonetic)
Calumet City, Illinois

On August 28, 1963, [redacted] advised that he presently spends most of his time sitting in his 1962 Pontiac in front of the State Lunch Restaurant. He denied that he is there for any purpose of making "a horse book" or any other illegal activity. He admitted that several years ago he did act as a "fence" with [redacted] who was recently released from the Federal Penitentiary. He admitted that he recently has been earning his living by operating bingo games in Calumet City and he admitted that he had a machine in which he could "cheat" the operators of bingo. He denied that he has ever traveled to Indiana for the purpose of gambling and stated that because of the "heat" he is seriously considering going back to his business as a seaman on Great Lakes steamers. After considerable conversation [redacted] admitted that he still handles some stolen property, primarily men's suits. He repeatedly stated that because of his previous trouble with "Uncle Sam", he now positively determines that none of the articles themselves come within the Theft From Interstate Shipment Statute and that all are "boosted" or stolen locally. He refused to identify his source of supply and requested the conversation be changed to another subject.

[redacted] stated that he has spent over 20 years in Calumet City and he has never seen so much "heat"

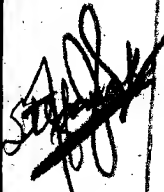


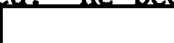
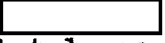
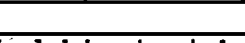
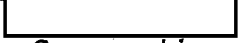
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emanating both from local and Federal levels. It is his opinion that absolutely nothing of an outfit nature is operating in Calumet City at the present time. He admitted that prior to the strict law enforcement in the area he operated with the "outfit" as a matter of necessity and that he often had conversations with FRANK LA PORTE. He refused to further expound on his conversations with LA PORTE. He requested that the interview be terminated for fear that some of his previous associates would observe him talking to Federal Agents. He indicated that he would have no objection to future interviews; however, he would not be foolish enough to discuss the outfit as far as their illegal operations are concerned.

LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

  Owner, Flying Roof Tavern, 452 Torrence Avenue, Calumet City, Illinois, advised on August 29, 1963, that his tavern had a "juke box" in it belonging to the Cooperative Music Company of Chicago Heights. He advised that the juke box was an old one and kept breaking down frequently. He requested the repairman, whom he knew only as  to replace it with a newer model but his request was ignored. He became disgusted with the matter and contacted a  and purchased his own machine. Shortly thereafter two employees of Cooperative Music came into the tavern and stated, "We'll give you one more chance to get this machine out and ours back in".  stated that after this implied threat he immediately contacted the police department in Calumet City and stated that he was purchasing a gun for his own protection. Shortly afterwards  and  came into his tavern and wanted him to take the Cooperative juke box back. He stated that he immediately pulled the gun from a drawer and told both of them that he was "ready to die for this machine" and that if necessary he "would take at least one of them with him". The two individuals immediately left and

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have not recontacted him in approximately three months. He advised that he continues to have a cigarette vending machine in his tavern which belongs to the Regal Vending Machine Company of Chicago Heights. He said that he understood that this organization is also syndicate-controlled; however, the supplier [redacted] has never mentioned the juke boxes and continues to deliver the cigarettes on a regular basis. Approximately one month after he purchased his own machine from [redacted] contacted him and stated that he had obtained the box from a [redacted] of AMI. [redacted] stated to him that he had to have the juke box back because Cooperative Music had called and said they wouldn't buy any more machines from [redacted] if they did not have the machine returned. [redacted] had been paying for the machine on a monthly basis and [redacted] offered to return his money. He stated that he again pulled his gun and told [redacted] that the only way he could get the machine was by walking over his [redacted] dead body. Approximately a week later [redacted] came back and accepted final payment on the machine. He has had no trouble since this time.

On September 23, 1963 [redacted] was recontacted and advised that he had no more trouble regarding the juke box and had determined that [redacted] resides at 1263 Pratt in Chicago, Illinois. He stated he could not locate an address for [redacted]. He advised that he would immediately contact the Federal Bureau of Investigation if he received any information regarding Cooperative Music's attempt to either threaten or influence his operating his tavern or his juke box.

CG T-8 advised that [redacted] is an associate. [redacted] has been associated with the "outfit" in Calumet City for many years and derives his power from the fact that he is the nephew of PHIL BACINO who owns John's Pizzeria at 121st

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Street, Calumet City. According to the informant's conversations with [REDACTED] FRANK LA PORTE is considering making arrangements to purchase a home in Phoenix, Arizona, and to possibly retire in that area. The reason for LA PORTE's leaving is because of all the "heat" and the fact that he recently suffered a heart attack. When LA PORTE actually leaves the area permanently, JIMMY "THE BOMBER" CATAURA will take over control of organized crime in the south suburbs. Presently [REDACTED] is operating a club for FRANK LA PORTE known as the Club Wegi in Crestwood, Illinois, on Cicero Avenue. [REDACTED] is allowed to do pretty much what he wants because his father is well respected in the outfit. His father is presently a member of the Packers Union on the north side of Chicago and is paid a monthly sum for past services. His father was previously one of the individuals who organized the local "bootleggers" in the Calumet City area for AL CAPONE during the Prohibition Era. The informant further advised that recently rumbles have appeared indicating that "MILWAUKEE PHIL" ALDERISIO is trying to take over control when LA PORTE retired and that as a result there may be some killings, while CATAURA and ALDERISIO struggle for control. Informant has no knowledge that the Club Wegi is being operated as anything except a legitimate tavern, although it is the informant's opinion that [REDACTED] would probably have prostitutes available for any customer desiring one.

CG T-3 advised that Local 5, Hod Carriers and Common Laborers Union, 2318 Chicago Road, Chicago Heights, is a legitimate union which is completely dominated by FRANK LA PORTE through his associate, AL PILLOTTO. The union is actually run by PILLOTTO, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The informant knows of no illegal activity being conducted in conjunction with the union.

Previous investigation determined that [REDACTED] President of the Eastern Petroleum Company, Carmi, Illinois, has had business association with FRANK LA PORTE.

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By communication dated August 15, 1963, the Springfield Office advised that on July 27, 1963, Mr. [redacted] President of Eastern Petroleum Company, Post Office Box Number 291, Carmi, Illinois, telephonically contacted SA [redacted] at the Mount Carmel Resident Agency and advised that he was back in town and available for interview.

On this date, [redacted] was interviewed regarding his knowledge of [redacted] and his knowledge of FRANK LA PORTE.

[redacted] advised that he cannot recall how long ago it was when he first met [redacted] however, originally he met [redacted] through an individual by the name of [redacted] who resides at [redacted] Jacksonville, Illinois, and has phone number CH 32523. He stated that at this same time, he also became acquainted with an individual by the name of [redacted] also of Jacksonville, Illinois, and that [redacted] apparently were both well acquainted with [redacted]

[redacted] advised that after the death of [redacted] he was contacted by SI [redacted] son of [redacted] He advised that he had only seen [redacted] on four or five occasions before [redacted] died and this meeting was occasioned through an oil deal in Arizona. He stated that originally he had sold the deal to [redacted] who in turn had sold a portion of that same deal to [redacted] He advised that thereafter, [redacted] promoted [redacted] into the same deal selling him a part of the same transaction which had originally been sold to [redacted]

[redacted] advised that he has only seen [redacted] on a few occasions since the death of [redacted]

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[] and that he has never personally met FRANK LA PORTE in his life. He advised that since he is not personally acquainted with FRANK LA PORTE and has never had any business dealings directly with him, he does not know of any interests that LA PORTE might have outside of the dealings in the oil business in Arizona. He stated that he had heard in the past that [] operates the World Wide Distributing Company which handles a variety of coin machines in the Chicago, Illinois, area.

[] advised regarding telephone calls made to him which were threatening in nature that he had no way of knowing the origin of the telephone calls made to him which were threatening in nature; however, he assumed that they were from the Chicago, Illinois, area as they pertained to transactions which had previously been had with [] and FRANK LA PORTE. He stated that he was not sure of the number of calls received by him; however, he would estimate that possibly as many as three or four had been made threatening him. However, he at no time was able to identify the individual who was calling.

[] advised that his accountant, [] may have the facts and figures as to the amount invested in the oil ventures in Arizona.

On August 2, 1963, [] accountant for Eastern Petroleum Company, Box 291, Carmi, Illinois, advised that he is not personally acquainted with any of the individuals, [] FRANK LA PORTE, or [] except as they appeared on the books of the company. He stated that [] had at one time invested in the name of [] with Eastern Petroleum Company and that in May of 1959, [] received in the name of [] a 132nd working interest in the Penta Dome State Lease number 2089 in Apache County, Arizona, on which a well was drilled for possible helium production. He advised that [] paid

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for this 132nd working interest a total of \$6,940.

He advised that [] was credited on February 1, 1960, with a 132nd working interest in the Penta Santa Fe blocks BC & D wherein three wells were drilled. He advised that a total cost on these three wells to [] amounted to \$15,600. [] advised that all four wells drilled wherein [] had a 132nd working interest proved to be dry holes and were not producers in any fashion.

[] advised that with respect to FRANK LA PORTE, he on February 16, 1960, received a 164th working interest in the Penta Santa Fe blocks BC & D for a total cost of \$7,800 to FRANK LA PORTE.

On September 28, 1961, FRANK LA PORTE had assigned to him 164th working interest in an area referred to as Big Chief, Dead River, Black Knob and Reese Brothers, a total of six wells which were drilled at a cost of \$6,950 to LA PORTE.

On July 13, 1961, FRANK LA PORTE was assigned five 256th working interests in a salt springs section which consisted of the drilling of three wells for a total of \$5,625. All of the wells drilled for LA PORTE were dry and none of them were placed on a pump for production. [] advised that FRANK LA PORTE invested a total of \$20,375 in the various drilling ventures with Eastern Petroleum Company.

He advised that [] total investment would have amounted to \$22,540 whereas LA PORTE's total investment would have been \$20,375. He advised that none of the Apache County Field was productive and that they have no equity left in ventures in the Apache County operation.

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CG T-3 advised that "MILWAUKEE PHIL" ALDERISIO is the owner of the Griffen Hardware, 8200 South Roberts Road, Bridgeview, Illinois. The store is managed by [redacted] who, the informant stated, is also acquainted with FRANK LA PORTE. The store is operated, to the best of the informant's knowledge, as a legitimate concern, with the exception that they run a lot of "scam" products there. He described "scam" as being distressed merchandise taken from other sources and sold at discounts below cost..

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CG T-9 advised that he had recently received information that FRANK LA PORTE had made a big loan, either to or from some illegitimate individual for a business purpose. Informant further advised that he understood that the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) had a \$16,000.00 tax lien against LA PORTE on one of his business operations.

CG T-10 advised that a review of records of the IRS failed to reflect that any lien is presently outstanding against FRANK LA PORTE or any of his known legitimate businesses.

CG T-4 advised that the A-1 Industrial Uniform Company, of 1217 North Oakleaf, Chicago 22, Illinois, telephone AR 6-2373, is operated and owned by [redacted]

[redacted] Recently an individual using a card with the name [redacted] contacted several legitimate business people in the Roseland area requesting that they switch their overall business to the A-1 Company. Most of these businesses have previously been contacted by [redacted] and at least one of them was contacted by FRANK LUZI, nephew of FRANK LA PORTE, and requested to shift to A-1 Uniforms because the company belonged to a personal friend of his.

ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

CG T-11 advised that a commercial gambling game is presently being operated at the Turkey Creek Country Club in Gary, Indiana. It consists of card games, crap tables, and roulette wheels. JOE GUZZINO has some part of the operation because he is known to have hired bartenders and other personnel for the game. JOE's nephew, NICKI GUZZINO also works in the establishment. Informant advised that the persons who frequent this game formerly were observed at the Owl Club in Calumet City. From this, he assumes that FRANK LA PORTE has a "piece of the action". At the present time this game is operating on infrequent occasions but is expected to operate openly as soon as (FNU) KATZ is elected mayor of Gary, Indiana.

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This informant advised that TONY FRANZ, brother-in-law of FRANK LA PORTE, is presently selling Carlings Black Label Beer to taverns in the southern Cook County area. He does not know the name of the distributor for which FRANZ is employed.

Informant advised that he recently observed [redacted] of Chicago Heights, Illinois, leave an envelope at the Cross Roads Restaurant, at approximately 150th and Cicero. He understands that [redacted] was operating the Cross Roads in some kind of managerial capacity. Informant stated that this restaurant is a meeting place for southern Cook County hoodlums and thieves.

CG T-3 advised that the Cross Roads Restaurant is located at 153rd and Cicero Avenues, Oak Forest, Illinois, and the manager is [redacted]. Informant advised that [redacted] is 27 years old, married, and has three children. He presently resides in a rented apartment at [redacted] Park Forest, Illinois. Prior to this, he lived at [redacted] Miami, Florida. He claims to earn \$175.00 per week as the manager of the Cross Roads Restaurant. Informant advised that [redacted] is presently attempting to borrow \$20,000.00 from the Bank of Niles, 7100 Oakton Street, Niles, Illinois. The proceeds of the loan will be used to purchase the capital stock of General Smokers Service, Inc., 1626 West Morse Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. He indicated that the loan at the bank will be secured by an assignment of capital stock of General Smokers. According to the informant [redacted] claimed no knowledge of the identity of the seller of the stock or its corporate structure. [redacted] stated he had no co-signers on the loan or other endorsements. He also stated there were no other purchasers and \$20,000.00 was the entire amount he was paying for the stock. According to the informant the transaction "smells", and gave the following reasons:

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The Bank of Niles placed an investigation on the credit of this individual on a 24 hour basis. The bank furnished basic leads which indicated there would be no danger of anyone finding out much in such a short time. The report, while not broad and elaborate, would hit certain high spots and would appear feasible if reviewed later by a bank examiner. Informant stated it is his personal opinion that there is some kind of "hanky-panky" going on because a \$20,000.00 loan to a 27 year old restaurant manager to purchase a business is a questionable loan. Informant indicated that it is very possible that the Bank of Niles is under the influence of EDDIE VOGEL or FRANK LA PORTE.

CG T-11 advised that approximately two years ago he assisted [] carry gambling tables, roulette wheels, and slot machines, to a warehouse known as the Great Lakes Warehouse located on State Line Avenue and Plumber Street in Hammond, Indiana. He was told by [] that very few people knew the equipment was stored at this place.

CG T-12 advised that he has been taken to the Great Lakes Warehouse on several occasions by [] [] He has obtained various types of gambling equipment from him. Approximately six months ago [] stated to him that all the equipment had been moved from the Great Lakes Warehouse to another unknown location. Informant indicated that he would recontact [] and attempt to obtain the location of additional storage spots for LA PORTE's gambling enterprises.

On August 2, 1962, a search warrant was obtained from United States Commissioner C. S. BENTLEY PIKE, Chicago, Illinois, authorizing Bureau Agents to search the premises known as Alco Steel Service, 525 Rowell Street, Joliet, Illinois. At approximately 2:00 P.M. the search warrant was executed. Located behind two locked doors in a remote area of the warehouse was a

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large mound of various slot machines, packing cases, and miscellaneous equipment concealed under tarpaulins. A detailed inventory disclosed 19 complete slot machines (one-armed bandits), 25 complete electric slot machines, as well as numerous slot machine makings, parts, and keys. The estimated recovery value was \$50,000.00. ALBERT MYRON COHEN, male, white, age 48, owner, denied knowledge as to who owned the machines. COHEN admitted knowing FRANCIS CURRY, but denied any connection between CURRY and the machines. It is noted that CURRY has been regarded as the former slot machine king for the Joliet area and is considered closely associated with FRANK LA PORTE. COHEN admitted partnership with [redacted] in the A & A Demolition Company. It is noted that [redacted] is considered to be an underling and coin machine collector for GEORGE "BABE" TUFFANELLI, who operates as gambling boss for FRANK LA PORTE. COHEN appeared extremely nervous when questioned about LA PORTE and denied any connection with LA PORTE. The machines recovered are presently awaiting destruction by the United States Marshal in Chicago.

Previous investigation established that [redacted] [redacted] is the manager of the Town and Country Motel, in Calumet City, Illinois. Chicago informants have previously indicated that the motel is becoming a syndicate hangout and that FRANK LA PORTE possibly has some connections with it.

By communication dated September 9, 1963, the Cincinnati Office advised in part as follows:

FRED C. WALTERS is the part owner of the company which operates the Town and Country Motel. In 1961 it was determined that WALTERS was the owner of stock in the Ohio Valley Plywood Company. Following his introduction to [redacted] he purchased stock in this company. [redacted] is considered an associate of various hoodlums in the Cincinnati area. In interview FRED C. WALTERS and his brother JOHN B. WALTERS furnished the following information:

The Town and Country Motel is presently under lease and the leasee is required to post a

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\$100,000.00 security deposit to protect the owner. Mr. WALTERS volunteered that should any illegitimate activities including such activities as prostitution or gambling were tolerated by the management, the security deposit could be forfeited to the owner, the Norsyl Building Corporation, 2414 West Lawrence, Chicago, Illinois. [] is presently the manager of the motel. He was suggested for this position by []

[] Glen Ellyn, Illinois, who is associated with a food and beverage company. [] was previously the manager of a motel in Schiller Park, Illinois, which was owned by MANNY SKAR, who is reportedly under indictment in Chicago, Illinois. WALTERS volunteered that he had received a letter from [] who described himself as a bartender at the Town and Country Motel. The letter stated that he was writing about a confidential matter. He stated that [] never goes into the motel and that he spends all his time with the woman he lived with across the street. He has "hoodlums" all over the motel and they are as nasty to people as he is. The writer further made derogatory remarks concerning another employee [] and noted that the motel and bar was depreciating rapidly. Mr. WALTERS stated he placed a long distance call to [] on September 3, 1963, and [] denied writing such a letter. Approximately ten minutes later he received a call from the manager [] who inquired as to the reason for the telephone call to []

Mr. WALTERS indicated that he is considering placing a new assistant manager in the motel to operate in an undercover position to determine exactly what type of operation is being conducted. Mr. WALTERS indicated that he, under no circumstances, would permit FRANK LA PORTE or any other hoodlum to run any type of illegal operations at the hotel.

On September 17, 1963, FRANK LA PORTE was observed having lunch at the Dixie Governor Motel in Hazel Crest, Illinois, with JOHN ZARANTI. [] was observed to be the driver of a 1963 Buick which is registered to ZARANTI. The purpose of their discussion is not known.

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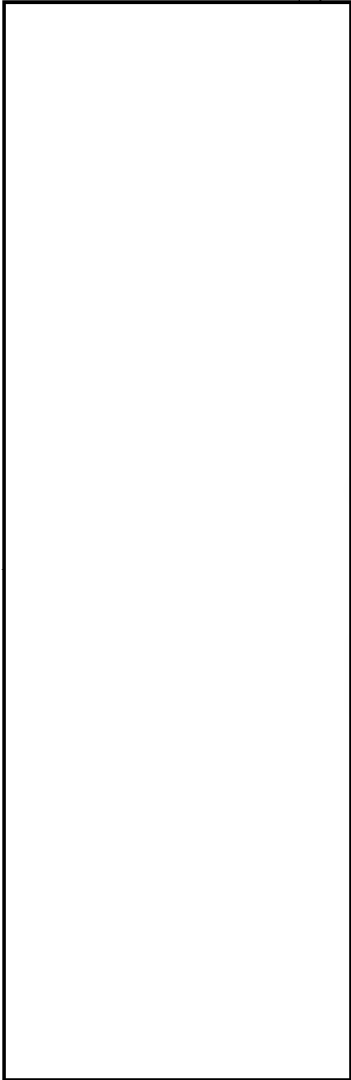
By communication dated August 29, 1963, the Los Angeles Office advised that [redacted] Volkswagen dealer, 590 Van Ness Avenue, Fresno, California, advised to the best of his knowledge, he is not acquainted with or has he ever heard of FRANK LA PORTE. [redacted] admitted that he formerly operated an automobile business in Chicago Heights, Illinois. He was in business with one [redacted] and as partners they erected a building to house the Volkswagen dealership. He stated that they had had no prior dealings and they became associated for their mutual benefit.

[redacted] stated that as the erection of the building progressed he became aware of what he considered to be unreasonable cost increases and sought to dissolve his partnership with [redacted]. He stated that subsequently he did split with [redacted] paying [redacted] \$25,000.00 for his share and [redacted] retained a second mortgage on the property. Shortly after they dissolved their partnership [redacted] came into the new building accompanied by three unknown individuals who looked like "muscle men". During this time [redacted] was aware that [redacted] apparently had all his money tied up in real estate and to that end had heavily mortgaged his insurance company. [redacted] stated that [redacted] insurance dealings were with his brother-in-law [redacted]. It was his impression that [redacted] was putting the pressure on [redacted] to come up with considerable cash money. [redacted] stated that he had absolutely no knowledge of any conversation or plan to erect a second story on this building for the purpose of operating a gambling casino. [redacted] related that the foregoing is a possible situation wherein [redacted] may have been pressured to enter such an agreement to ease his obligation. [redacted] denied that he had had any contact with any hoodlum element in Chicago or Chicago Heights, Illinois, though he said it appeared to be generally known that some sort of organized syndicate type control existed in the area. For instance, [redacted] stated it appeared generally accepted that no one entered the liquor, restaurant, night club, or vending machine business in the area without getting an okay from some unknown individual.

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Chief ROBERT OBERHOLTZ, South Chicago Police Department, advised on September 11, 1963, that he has determined that the following list of license numbers are registered to the individuals who were authorized to commit burglaries by the LA PORTE outfit:

| <u>License Number</u> | <u>Type of Car</u> | <u>Driver</u> |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| ND 6728 | 1962 Cadillac, red |  |
| NE 4443 | 1963 Buick, black and white | |
| 998 635 | 1963 Buick, blue | |
| HH 4039 | 1963 Buick, red | |
| HD 7141 | 1955 Cadillac, pink | |
| NE 6658 | 1963 Buick, pink over black | |
| 906 829 | 1960 Cadillac, white | |
| HU 4299 | 1956 Oldsmobile, blue | |
| 958 665 | 1962 Buick, pink | |
| RA 3481 | 1963 Buick, pink | |
| 94C6343 (Indiana) | 1961 Oldsmobile, red and white | |
| HD 1995 | 1962 Pontiac, white | |

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| <u>License Number</u> | <u>Type of Car</u> | <u>Driver</u> |
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| 987 249 | 1960 Oldsmobile, black | <div data-bbox="1079 472 1344 625" style="border: 1px solid black; width: 163px; height: 73px;"></div> (ph) |
| 45X9076 (Indiana) | 1963 Cadillac, green | |

Chief OBERHOLTZ stated that for the past several months he has been contacting his informants and conducting surveillances in the Chicago Heights area and from all information gathered he is positive that the above individuals operate under the authority of the "outfit."

Chief RICHARD CAINE, Special Investigations Unit, Cook County Office, on August 8, 1963, advised SA that a recent article appeared in the "Chicago Tribune" indicating that "MILWAUKEE" PHIL ALDERISIO was attempting to take over control of the south suburban area in the organized crime field. Chief CAINE stated that he noticed that the information furnished for this article came from his office.

He advised that in February, 1963, sheriff's police on one occasion surveilled "MILWAUKEE" PHIL to the Cooperative Music Company in Chicago Heights. Officers believed that he met with GEORGE "BABE" TUFFANELLI, FRANK LUZI and FRANK LA PORTE. On one other occasion they surveilled him to the area of 22nd and Wentworth Avenue in Chicago Heights. The "Chicago Tribune" printed the article referred to in an effort to counteract some of the news that was being printed in the "Chicago Sun-Times" under a byline of SANDY SMITH. These articles referred to information furnished the Senate Subcommittee by JOE VALACHI. Chief CAINE stated he had no other information indicating that ALDERISIO was attempting to control South Cook County.

Trooper Illinois Tollway Police, advised on August 10, 1963, that a "friend" of his, who operates a tollgate on the Illinois Tri-State Tollway, advised

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him that he has observed LA PORTE driving through the tollgate on two occasions. LA PORTE appeared to be headed toward the northern suburbs. Trooper [] stated that he and several other younger officers of the tollway police have obtained LA PORTE's license number and will attempt to apprehend him if he is observed violating any Illinois state laws. Trooper [] stated that regardless of the type of violation he will have LA PORTE "mugged" and "printed."

Trooper [] Illinois Highway Police, advised that he had recently received information that [] has a \$30,000 aircraft stored at a south suburban air field and that this plane is often used by "syndicate members" to fly to various parts of the country.

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[] of the Howell Airport, 149th and Cicero Avenue, advised that [] are authorized to purchase gas for a five passenger "Navion" having registration number 4914K. He advised that he has no knowledge of the person who actually uses the aircraft.

Chicago T-3 advised that he has recently learned from [] that there is a big crap game running in La Porte, Indiana. He was advised that this game belongs to FRANK LA PORTE and [] of East St. Louis, Illinois. The game moved about two weeks ago from Gary, Indiana, to its present location. He was unable to learn the specific location but knows from several people on the south side of Chicago of its location in Indiana.

Chicago T-9 advised that a person, who has furnished reliable information in the past, told him that a "contract" had been left for someone big in the south suburbs. Two Chicago hoodlums took the contract after it was turned down by friends of the individual furnishing the information to Chicago T-9. The informant advised that when he referred to the contract he meant that someone was to be murdered and was of the opinion that it might be as a result of JIMMY "THE BOMBER" CATURA trying to take over control from FRANK LA PORTE.

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[redacted] advised that a syndicate gambling game was operating next door to Flea's Tavern in Calumet Park, Illinois. This information was furnished to Captain HORACE NOBLE, Cook County, Illinois Sheriff's Police.

On August 10, 1963, Sheriff's Police raided the above tavern and arrested four individuals for gambling.

POLICE TIE-INS

Identification Officer [redacted] Chicago Heights, Illinois Police Department, advised on September 9, 1963, that recently elected City Commissioner JOHN MALONI had been arrested by the Chicago Heights Police Department on April 9, 1939, on a charge of rape. MALONI is presently Commissioner of Public Works in Chicago Heights. At the time he was arrested he was nineteen years old and lived at 1306 Wentworth. The police records saw that the disposition in this case is "bound over for Grand Jury."

[redacted] further advised that MALONI and [redacted] allegedly did time together somewhere in Indiana. They became friends while in the same jail but on different charges. [redacted] is presently working for the City of Chicago Heights in MALONI's department. [redacted] is a known friend of burglars [redacted] and was prominently mentioned in Chicago Heights papers when [redacted] was shot approximately two years ago.

[redacted] stated that (FNU) [redacted] who has previously been convicted of burglary is also employed with the Street Department for the City of Chicago Heights.

[redacted] according to [redacted] has just been elected democratic township committeeman for Bloom Township in Chicago Heights.

Chicago T-2 advised that Captain DOMINIC PASSERELLI, Chicago Heights Police Department, was arrested in 1933 during a raid of a still on a farm in southern Cook County. PASSERELLI was acting as a "cooker" at the still. He was convicted for

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violation of the Prohibition Act and sentenced to from six to nine months in the Cook County Jail. He was arrested with four other Chicago Heights individuals. A DOMINIC PASSERELLI was arrested on April 14, 1928, on the southwest corner of 142nd and Robey. Due to the age of the record, no disposition of the arrest was shown. This informant advised that Captain DOMINIC DI ANDREA was arrested approximately twenty years ago on a counterfeiting charge in Spring Valley, Illinois, however, he was released and his brother charged with the crime. A search of the United States Secret Service files in Chicago did not reveal any information regarding [redacted]

[redacted] Detective, Chicago Heights Police Department, was arrested August 24, 1951, on burglary charges in Park Forest, Illinois. He was given three years probation. On June 23, 1940, he was arrested in Calumet City, Illinois, on burglary and larceny charges which were reduced to disorderly conduct and he received probation.

[redacted] Lieutenant. Chicago Heights Police Department, works in the tavern of [redacted] is considered as a possible marijuana distributor in the Chicago Heights area. The informant advised that [redacted] reportedly has leaked information to [redacted] regarding a narcotics investigation being conducted by Illinois State Narcotics officials. [redacted] according to the informant, was sentenced to nine months in the county jail approximately twenty years ago.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Chicago, Illinois
October 11, 1963

Title FRANK LA PORTE

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Report of Special Agent Thomas
 W. Parrish, dated and captioned
 as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.



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FRANK LA PORTE
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Thomas W. Parrish dated and captioned as above.

CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

Chicago T-1 is an individual who has knowledge of gambling activities in Chicago Heights, Illinois.

Chicago T-2 is an investigator for another government agency.

Chicago T-3 is an individual who has access to various financial records.

Chicago T-4 is an individual who has knowledge of some hoodlum activity.

Chicago T-5 is an individual who has associations in Las Vegas, Nevada and South Cook County, Illinois.

Chicago T-6 is an investigator for another government agency.

Chicago T-7 is a person who is familiar with some of the criminal activity of various individuals in the Chicago area.

Chicago T-8 is a former strip tease dancer in Calumet City, Illinois.

Chicago T-9 is an investigator for another government agency.

Chicago T-10 is an investigator for another government agency.

Chicago T-11 is a person who is familiar with certain aspects of criminal activity in the southern Cook County area.

Chicago T-12 is a gambler who operates in South Cook County, Illinois.

Chicago T-13 is an individual who has considerable knowledge of gambling activity in the Chicago Heights area.

FBI

Date: 11/14/63

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)

FRANK LA PORTE, aka
AR

Subject received moving traffic violation 11/9/63 for appearance at Homewood Sheriff's Office on 11/14/63. Subject failed to appear and \$31 bond forfeited. At instigation of FBI, Captain [redacted] consulted with Cook County States Attorney, who issued a local warrant for subject's arrest for failure to list proper address on driver's license. Captain [redacted] stated that mug shots will be taken of subject when his arrest is made.

Bureau will be kept advised.

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| TITLE OF CASE FRANK LA PORTE, Aka | | REPORT MADE BY SA THOMAS W. PARRISH | TYPED BY jas |
| | | CHARACTER OF CASE AR | |

REFERENCE: Report of SA THOMAS W. PARRISH dated 10/11/63, at Chicago.

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ENCLOSURES

TO BUREAU

Two copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting Characterization of Informants.

LEADS

Investigative leads to other field divisions are being set forth by separate communications.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to conduct investigation regarding the subject's background and activities.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Records of [REDACTED]
Riverdale, Illinois, were made available by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Supervisor.

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INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is Mr. D. KELLOG, Postmaster, Riverdale, Illinois, contacted October 14, 1963.

CG T-2 is [] contacted by SA THOMAS W. PARRISH.

CG T-3 is [] contacted by SA THOMAS W. PARRISH.

CG T-4 is [] contacted by SA [] on October 2, 1963.

CG T-5 is PCI [] contacted by SA THOMAS W. PARRISH.

CG T-6 is PCI [] contacted on October 2, 1963 by SA []

CG T-7 is []

CG T-8 is [] Country Club Hills, Illinois, contacted on November 1, 1963 by SA THOMAS W. PARRISH.

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Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA THOMAS W. PARRISH
Date: December 12, 1963

Office: CHICAGO

Field Office File No.: 92-920

Bureau File No.: 92-5793

Title: FRANK LA PORTE

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Subject continues to maintain residence at 1730 Cambridge Road, Flossmoor, Illinois. Indications are that he also resides with his paramour, [redacted] who has recently moved to an upstairs apartment at [redacted] Chicago Heights. This address houses subject's Cooperative Music Company. Subject arrested for a traffic violation on November 7, 1963. A local warrant is presently outstanding for the subject's arrest for improper drivers license registration. Subject's associates and legitimate enterprises set forth. Subject's involvement in illegal enterprises set forth. Subject continues to exercise political control in Chicago Heights, Illinois.

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DETAILS:

RESIDENCE

Chief CLIFF PAULING, Flossmoor, Illinois Police Department, advised on November 26, 1963, that the subject continues to maintain an address at 1730 Cambridge Road, Flossmoor, Illinois. His automobile is occasionally observed at the next door residence of his brother-in-law, TED BARTUSEIWICZ. It has not been observed in the recent past in the driveway of the subject's residence.

[redacted]
[redacted] Riverdale, Illinois, advised on October 14, 1963, that [redacted] the subject's paramour, moved from her apartment on October 1, 1963 to an unknown location. [redacted] [redacted] advised she has no information as to the name of the moving company used but understood from an unrecalled source that the subject assisted her in her move.

CG T-1 advised that [redacted] formerly resided at 13927 South Clark Street, Riverdale, Illinois, and was now receiving her mail at 1728 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, care of [redacted]

[redacted] clerk, [redacted]
[redacted] Riverdale, Illinois, advised that [redacted]
[redacted] furnished the following information to her office when she leased her apartment at [redacted]

Her former addresses were listed as [redacted]
[redacted] Joliet, Illinois. Her personal references were listed as [redacted] Ottawa, Illinois, telephone SA 7-1443; [redacted]
[redacted] Joliet, Illinois, and [redacted]
Joliet, Illinois. Her banking facility was listed as the National Bank of Joliet, Joliet, Illinois. Her former telephone number was listed as IN 8-0700.

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Records of
Riverdale, Illinois, reflect the following information:

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The above information is confidential and can only be obtained by the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum directed to the manager of
 Riverdale, Illinois.

On 10/14/63 at Riverdale, Illinois File # CG 92-920
by SA THOMAS W. PARRISH/jas Date dictated 10/18/63

A physical surveillance of the Cooperative Music Company, 1728 Halsted Street, on numerous occasions during both daylight and evening hours, disclosed that a 1963 blue Oldsmobile, bearing Illinois license HT 5917, registered to [redacted] has frequently been parked in the music company parking lot. The subject's 1963 Buick has also been observed in the same lot during the late evening hours. Patrolman [redacted] Chicago Heights Police Department, advised that from all appearances the subject is maintaining a part-time residence in an apartment over the Cooperative Music Company.

ASSOCIATES

[redacted]
Chicago Heights, Illinois

On November 29, 1963, [redacted] was observed leaving the Cooperative Music Company parking lot in Chicago Heights, Illinois, and driving her 1963 Oldsmobile to the area of the West Pines Hotel at Western and Pine Street in Joliet, Illinois. She was not observed entering the hotel but parked her automobile in the immediate vicinity of the hotel. The spot check of the hotel and the immediate area disclosed that [redacted] car left the area shortly after being parked. The subject was not observed in her company.

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On October 14, 1963, FRANK LA PORTE was observed leaving the Cooperative Music Company parking lot. He proceeded to Martin's Fish Market on East 16th Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, where he was observed buying a large quantity of fish products. He immediately returned to the Cooperative Music Company and appeared to enter the apartment in the upstairs section of the company.

By communication dated November 12, 1963, the Indianapolis Office advised that [redacted] used car salesman, Peterman Oldsmobile, Cedar Lake, Indiana, was interviewed and advised that he knows of no connection that FRANK LA PORTE has with Peterman Oldsmobile.

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[redacted] advised that he sold a 1963 Oldsmobile to [redacted]. From records he advised that she resides at 13927 Clark Street, Riverdale, Illinois. On June 1, 1963, a cash deal was made for a 1963 Oldsmobile, VIN 685M18159. She traded in a 1961 white Rambler for which she was allowed \$800. She paid a cash difference of \$2,593. [redacted] said [redacted] was not known to him since it was a cash deal and she had to furnish no additional information. He advised that FRANK LA PORTE has made no purchases at his agency, at least under that name.

He advised that he sells 500 units a year and less than 200 of them are local sales. He advised that he sells cars very competitively and many buyers come from adjoining states to trade at his agency. He said that he has sold many cars on the basis of referral of continued customers and he has no idea who, if anyone, referred [redacted] to his agency.

[redacted]
Calumet City, Illinois

A physical surveillance of the subject on October 29, 1963, disclosed that he traveled from Chicago Heights, Illinois, via the Kingler Expressway to Calumet City, Illinois. He drove north on Burnham Avenue to Warren Street and parked his car in an alley behind the house and entered the house with the address of 331 Warren Street.

A review of the Calumet City directory reflects that 331 Warren Street is occupied by [redacted]
[redacted]

Previous information and investigation disclosed from various sources that [redacted] was the "girl friend" of the subject during the time he actively operated "strip joints" in Calumet City, Illinois. Many of these same sources have stated that [redacted] and her sister, [redacted] had left the Chicago area and were living in the western part of the United States. [redacted] had previously been married to [redacted] "a strip joint operator" but since his death she had married a Calumet City bartender, (FNU) [redacted] had acted as official hostess at various clubs owned and operated by the subject.

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Records of [redacted]
[redacted] Chicago, Illinois, reflected
the following information:

[redacted]
[redacted] Calumet City,
Illinois. [redacted]
Phoenix, Arizona. [redacted]

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On 11/4/63 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 92-920
by SA [redacted] /jas Date dictated 11/8/63

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This information is confidential and can only
be publicly produced by issuance of a subpoena duces tecum
directed to the manager of [redacted]
[redacted] Chicago, Illinois.

Chief of Police CASIMIR LINKIEWICZ, Calumet City, Illinois, advised that a review of available city records reflect that the property at 331 Warren Street is owned by EILEEN MUDRO, 655 Wentworth Street, Calumet City, who also owns the Spot Tavern, 1718 Stateline Avenue, Calumet City, Illinois. She was the holder of a federal gambling tax stamp in 1962 and is known to have previously had four slot machines located in her tavern. Following raids by local and federal authorities she voluntarily surrendered her tax stamp and advised authorities that she had dispensed with all gambling paraphernalia. Chief LINKIEWICZ advised that MUDRO is a 55 year old spinster who owns considerable real property in Calumet City. He has no knowledge that she has associated with FRANK LA PORTE but that the fact that slot machines were known to be located in her tavern indicated that they were owned or operated by the so called syndicate.

A review of the city directory for Calumet City reflects that [redacted] resides at [redacted]
[redacted] resides at [redacted]
[redacted] resides at [redacted]
[redacted] resides at [redacted] Records of the Calumet City Police Department reflect that [redacted] has several arrests for public intoxication.

On November 4, 1963, [redacted]
[redacted] Dolton, Illinois, was observed driving from her residence to [redacted] Calumet City, Illinois. She remained at this address for over one hour. It is pointed out that [redacted] is the paramour of RALPH EMERY who has previously been described as a lieutenant and close associate of FRANK LA PORTE. Previous investigation indicated that EMERY controlled organized crime in the Chicago Heights area during the time FRANK LA PORTE was in hiding in San Francisco, California.

Spot observations of the address of [redacted]
[redacted] Calumet City, reflects that a 1955 Buick bearing Indiana license 45C2994, registered to [redacted]
3625 Pennsylvania Avenue, East Chicago, Indiana, and frequently parked in front of the address. No individual has been observed in the automobile.

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JOSEPH GUZZINO
1065 Wentworth Street
Calumet City, Illinois

GUZZINO, who has previously been described as a close associate of FRANK LA PORTE, has been observed entering on several occasions The Embers drive-in restaurant located on Burnham Avenue and 159th Street in Calumet City. Previous investigation established that GUZZINO was the individual who obtained a building certificate to construct the above restaurant.

By communication dated November 19, 1963, the Louisville Office furnished the following information:

A check of the Louisville Police Department records reflects that one JOSEPH GUZZINO, Louisville Police Department number 73857, was arrested at Churchill Downs Race Track on November 14, 1946, on a charge of disorderly conduct and loitering. GUZZINO's address was listed as 5705 Federal Parkway, Louisville, Kentucky. He was described as 5' 11", 230 pounds, brown eyes, gray hair, age 48, date of birth March 17, 1898, occupation tavern owner.

A description of the offense indicated that GUZZINO was observed loitering at the race track. On November 15, 1946, the charge of disorderly conduct was amended to a security warrant in Police Court and GUZZINO was taken on his own bond (\$500) to keep the peace for six months. The charge of loitering was filed away.

Lieutenant [redacted] (NA), Louisville Police Department, advised on November 7, 1963, that he recalled GUZZINO as a "strong arm boy" of FRANCIS CURRY, who was described at one time as the "slot machine king of Joliet, Illinois." Lieutenant [redacted] said that he was employed on the Vice Squad in 1946 and 1947 and recalled that GUZZINO attempted to operate a handbook in Louisville for a short period of time in 1946, but that his primary interest was assisting FRANCIS CURRY in setting up a wire service in Louisville in opposition to the then established Continental Press.

On November 26, 1946, Lieutenant [redacted] advised SA [redacted] that on orders of Chief of Police HEUSTIS, JOE GUZZINO was arrested by Third District police

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at Churchill Downs Race Track. [] advised that GUZZINO supposedly returned to Chicago. [] made it known that he met with [] at the Par Cafe and during the conversation [] advised that his payoff in Louisville amounted to \$3,800 per month. He did not indicate actually what individuals were being paid off or the amount. JOSEPH indicated that FRANCIS CURRY and JOE GUZZINO were in some way connected with []

Sergeant [] Chicago Heights Police Department, advised on October 7, 1963, that his brother-in-law, (FNU) [] owns a pool room at 22nd and Stewart Streets in Chicago Heights. Nearly every Sunday he maintains a poker game in which \$6,000 to \$8,000 is on the table during the game. A crap table cover is slid over the pool table to allow for the game. The players are JOE GUZZINO, RALPH EMERY, all the [] brothers, GEORGE LA PORTE, the [] brothers and a few strangers. They have a watchman at the door. [] makes approximately \$150 per night for allowing the operation at his pool room. He has to pay RALPH EMERY and JOE GUZZINO \$200 per month for protection. JOSEPH GUZZINO actually runs the game and seems to be in charge of the money along with RALPH EMERY.

Until approximately one year ago in addition to the poker game, a big crap game was operating but to [] knowledge it has been discontinued. Records stated that RALPH EMERY had intended to make a very elaborate gambling den in the back of his Vagabond Lounge and move the game to that location. They actually started construction but for some unknown reason discontinued it and have now opened the room and extended the bar. There is no gambling, however, there is considerable beer drinking and prostitution during the late evening hours. [] said that it does not appear that GUZZINO exercises any degree of ownership.

ANTHONY "TONY" FRANZE
1208 Dixie Highway
Flossmoor, Illinois

CG T-2 advised that the subject's brother-in-law, TONY FRANZE, was trying to sell his house in Flossmoor and intends to move to the west coast probably around the Los Angeles area.

[] Manager, Don Rose Realty, Saulk

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Trail, Richton Park, Illinois, advised that his records reflect that under the mutual listing system, 1208 Dixie Highway is presently offered for sale with a main listing through ~~Thorn Creek~~ Realty Company. The asking price is \$69,000 and under remarks is described as having an electrical fire detection system throughout the house. There is no existing mortgage on the property and financing can be obtained by a down payment of \$19,000 and a conventional mortgage of \$50,000 for 25 years at 5 3/4 per cent interest. Monthly payments would amount to \$402 per month. The lot is described as 210 foot frontage by over 200 feet deep. It has seven rooms and three bathrooms. The annual tax is \$925. Occupation is described as immediate. There is no indication as to the expected address of the current owner.

Previous investigation established that TONY FRANZE and thirteen other individuals were arrested in a gambling raid at the Tally Ho Lounge, Burnham, Illinois, on February 22, 1963. The raid was conducted by ROSWELL SPENCER, Chief Investigator, Cook County States Attorney's Police.

On November 1, 1963, SPENCER advised that on October 11, 1963, FRANZE was convicted of the charge of keeper of a gambling establishment and fined \$500 before Judge MORRISSEY in Cook County Criminal Court. The court ruled that of the money confiscated by police, \$2,000 must be returned to WILLIAM PALERMO (subject's associate), \$1,794 be returned to [redacted] and \$300 returned to ANTHONY FRANZE. All of the money was returned to Attorney [redacted] well-known Chicago criminal attorney. The money was allegedly returned because the state could not show that it was part of proceeds of a gambling operation.

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~~GEORGE AMMERATTI~~, also known as
~~GEORGE EMERY~~
14412 Richmond Street
Posey, Illinois

Previous investigation established that AMMERATTI was employed and arrested at the Acorn Club, Steger, Illinois. This was a well-known horse book parlor owned by FRANK LA PORTE

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and [REDACTED] EMERY was placed on probation following a raid in 1963 by the Will County Sheriff's Police. EMERY, immediately following this raid, was interviewed and admitted an acquaintance with the subject and the fact that he was a bookmaker.

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The "Chicago Sun-Times" daily newspaper, the November 10, 1963 edition, contained an article which reads in part as follows:

VIRGIL W. PETERSON, official director of the Chicago Crime Commission attacked a court ruling granting probation to a bookmaker who shot and killed a man. PETERSON, in a two-page statement, criticized Judge GEORGE E. WEISS who in Criminal Court granted five years probation with the first ninety days to be served at the County Jail to GEORGE AMMERATTI. AMMERATTI, 45, son of the late JAMES EMERY, a one-time crime syndicate boss in the Chicago Heights area, was charged with murder on December 3. In a bench trial last month, Judge WEISS found AMMERATTI not guilty of the murder charge and not guilty of voluntary manslaughter. The justice found AMMERATTI guilty of involuntary manslaughter a charge that carries a maximum ten year sentence. PETERSON said that the victim tried to disarm AMMERATTI who had been quarreling with a bar patron and had gone back in the place with a revolver. PETERSON said AMMERATTI shot the victim once in the chest and then chased him outside into a parking lot and shot him in the back while he was lying on the ground.

Judge WEISS, who has been on the bench for twenty-five years, said that a probation report on AMMERATTI showed him to be "a good family man" and that he had not been in trouble with the law since 1951. At that time AMMERATTI had been arrested for carrying concealed weapons but the charge was dismissed.

Judge WEISS said that he believed both shots fired by AMMERATTI were "on the accidental side."

CG T-3 advised that it is general rumor that LA PORTE and RALPH EMERY held a meeting at the Dixie Governor Motel in Dixie, Illinois, in the summer of 1963, and agreed that the syndicate would assist GEORGE EMERY following his arrest for murder. The source stated that they reportedly paid \$65,000 to unknown persons to secure probation for EMERY.

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It is noted that EMERY's attorney was [redacted] [redacted] who is presently charged in Federal District Court for subrogation of perjury. [redacted] contacted several witnesses in an attempt to have them commit perjury in a federal narcotics trial. [redacted] was previously convicted of income tax evasion. For many years [redacted] has successfully defended numerous crime syndicate hoodlums in the Chicago area.

CG T-4 advised on October 2, 1963, that during the first part of August, 1963, an unknown "punk" met with FRANK LA PORTE and RALPH EMERY at the Zig Zag Club in Calumet City, Illinois. LA PORTE and EMERY wanted this individual to take money to an unknown attorney in Chicago to get RALPH EMERY's brother's murder charge "fixed." The source did not overhear the name of the attorney involved nor his location. The money was in an envelope and he does not know the amount involved. The source related that RALPH EMERY has a house in that vicinity which he bought several years ago and where he sometimes lives with a "stripper" who has a child by him.

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Chicago, Illinois

CG T-4 advised that [redacted] is a close associate of FRANK LA PORTE. [redacted] recently indicated to the source that he wanted to buy a place in Las Vegas, Nevada. He has not determined an exact location, however, he does know that [redacted] attempted to buy a night club in the Las Vegas area and sent his associate, [redacted] to the area to look over the property. [redacted] returned and reported to [redacted] that it was a bad deal and [redacted] did not purchase the club. This source considers [redacted] to be one of the biggest book and juice men in the Calumet City, Illinois, and the Hammond-Gary, Indiana area. He will take a single bet up to \$100,000. The source does not know if he will accept such a bet from a single individual or whether it is part of a layoff operation. [redacted] is currently working with a colored man in the numbers racket at the Flamingo Club on Hale Street in South Bend, Indiana. The informant stated that [redacted] is of Polish descent and does not understand how he is allowed by LA PORTE to control such a large operation in view of his non-Italian derivative.

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CG T-5 advised that [] appears to have moved his place of operation to Jenne's Restaurant at 92nd and Stony Island in Chicago. He has been observed at Jenne's talking with FRANK LA PORTE. [] is a partner with [] in a tavern known as "Two Steps Beyond" located on 103rd Street one block west of South Park in Oak Lawn, Illinois. [] is presently driving a 1964 Cadillac coupe, blue in color, with 1963 Illinois license GP 4279. This is a lease car for which he pays \$210 per month.

"RUDY" CAMPAGNA
Michigan and Wegg Street
East Chicago, Indiana

CG T-3 advised that RUDY CAMPAGNA is the nephew of the late "LITTLE NEW YORK CAMPAGNA" who was a close associate of AL CAPONE during the prohibition area. In the early 1950s, CAMPAGNA returned from New York to Calumet City. He and his brother, FRANK, operated a bail bond business in Calumet City. Some unknown disagreement developed between FRANK LA PORTE and CAMPAGNA. It was finally decided that CAMPAGNA would turn over the bail bond business to LA PORTE's nephew, FRANK LUZI, and the CAMPAGNAS would be allowed to operate the books and gambling in the Calumet City area.

[] Manager, Hess Detective Agency, P. O. Box 276, Gary, Indiana, contacted the FBI resident agency at Chicago Heights, Illinois, on October 30, 1963. He advised that he had recently been employed by Mrs. RUDOLPH CAMPAGNA to determine if her husband "was chasing other women." According to [] CAMPAGNA left his home at 7547 Alexandria, telephone TI 4-8180, Hammond, Indiana, and is now living at some unknown location. [] determined that CAMPAGNA is residing in a second floor apartment at the Wegg Street address and is driving a 1962 black Cadillac convertible with Indiana license 45D6363.

He advised that in a conversation with Mrs. CAMPAGNA he determined that she previously had been married to PHIL MUSGANERO, another associate of FRANK LA PORTE. She also advised that RUDY CAMPAGNA sometimes gambles and only does so when he knows the game is rigged or fixed. She advised that he is one of "LA PORTE's boys." She indicated that he continues to operate Whitey's Tavern and other bars in Calumet City and Burnham, Illinois. She stated that recently he began operating legitimately because the FBI had knowledge

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that he lived in Indiana and was operating gambling establishments in Illinois. He has such a fear of prosecution that he has discontinued all gambling in his taverns. Because of this loss of revenue and other problems he is becoming an alcoholic and this is the primary reason he has left his home and is suspected of living with another woman.

On November 3, 1963, [] stated he received another telephone call from Mrs. CAMPAGNA who stated that she went to the subject's apartment and succeeded in getting him to return to their Hammond address and would no longer need his services unless she decided to institute divorce proceedings against him in the future.

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~~JAMES~~ CATUARA
10309 Laramie
Oak Lawn, Illinois

CG T-6 advised on October 2, 1963, that he had heard that JIMMIE "THE BOMBER" CATUARA was being considered as a replacement for FRANK LA PORTE, Boss in Southern Cook County for the crime syndicate. Supposedly LA PORTE is considering retiring because of poor health and "heat" created on his various operations. In June of 1963, FRANK LA PORTE and CATUARA were at a tavern named "The Red Devil", Markham, Illinois. []

[] entered the tavern and was told by CATUARA and LA PORTE that he, [] should return to his territory in Indiana and stopped frequenting places in Illinois. [] is the owner of a large house of prostitution in Governorstown, Indiana, who recently lost \$35,000.00 in a card game that lasted two days and three nights in Calumet City, Illinois. [] received a time limit of five days to pay off this debt or else he would be killed. [] supposedly obtained money from his boss who is located in Indianapolis, Indiana. His boss is described as 6'1" tall, 225 pounds, dark rimmed glasses, 45 to 50 years of age, hair thinning, sandy colored, and is known as JOE. [] makes a trip to Indianapolis approximately once a week and from there travels to Cincinnati and then returns to Governorstown. [] also has a residence at [] West Palm Beach, Florida, Telephone 832-4603.

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In addition to LA PORTE, CATUARA is also closely associate with [] and an individual named [] who operates a collection agency, which he calls Ajax. He will take jobs of collecting bills from anyone for 50% of the amount he collects.

[]
Chicago Heights, Illinois

On February 9, 1963, [] was arrested at a gambling raid of the Tally Ho Lounge in Burnham, Illinois. He was arrested with FRANK LA PORTE's brother-in-law, TONY FRANZE. Charges against [] were later dismissed.

Captain [] Chicago Heights Police Department, advised that TONY PETRARCA was an old-time associate of FRANK LA PORTE, who for many years has operated various gambling games for LA PORTE and his other associates. [] stated PETRARCA is known as TONY SMALL.

By communication dated October 1, 1963, the Las Vegas Office furnished the following information:

The E. M. O'Neal Company, North Las Vegas, Nevada, manufactures dice for practically all gambling casinos in Nevada, [] Owner, advised that he occasionally ships dice outside the State of Nevada upon request. He contends that he does not personally know the persons ordering dice nor for what purpose these dice are used by the purchasers. He stated that the company's invoice number 8558, dated March 23, 1962, reflects that on that date the company shipped 50 pair of precision-made dice to TONY SMALL, 284 East 22nd Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, at a cost of \$62.50. Under invoice number 8567 the company shipped an additional 50 pair of dice at the cost of \$62.50 to SMALL. This order was shipped on March 28, 1962.

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LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

Chief of Police, LINKIEWICZ, Calumet City, Illinois, advised that he heard that FRANK LA PORTE is involved in the ownership of the Country Club at Southwest Highway and Harlem Avenue. On October 8, 1963, [] Glen Ellyn, Illinois, advised that he is the manager for the Country Club Dance Hall in Worth, Illinois. He advised that the license for the hall is in the name of Albob Liquors. The owners are [] He advised that he has no information that the operation is financed by FRANK LA PORTE or any hoodlum money. He stated he did not know if [] is identical with the individual by that name who previously operated a "strip joint" in Calumet City, Illinois and the Miama Club. He denied that any illegal activities took place on the premises and specifically denied that any gambling or prostitution existed in the building. He advised

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that he did not know the residence or address where [] could be contacted. He advised that the only other employee was a bar maid, [] who resides at 603 Parkside Circle, Streamwood, Illinois.

Previous investigation indicated that several former employees of GEORGE TUFFANELLI, known as the subject's lieutenants in Blue Island, Illinois are currently working for the ABC Vending Corporation, Los Angeles, California.

By communication dated October 29, 1963, the New York Office advised that the headquarters of the ABC Vending Corporation is located at 50-10 Northern Boulevard, Queens, New York.

CG T-7 stated that one WILLIAM FELLO and THOMAS LUCHESE have a deep financial interest in the ABC Vending Corporation. FELLO was described as being the owner of Fello's Lounge and Restaurant in Queens, New York, which is a hangout for hoodlums. He also said that FELLO was a Shylock, bookmaker, and union fixer. LUCHESE has been described by JOSEPH VALACHI as a boss of a "family" in the "Cosa Nostra" and is also a member of the "commission".

CG T-2 advised that [] age 24, is the son of ARMOND D'ANDREA, a close associate of FRANK LA PORTE and the father-in-law of FRANK LUZI, is opening a pharmacy at 1309 East 14th Street, East Chicago Heights, Illinois, an all Negro community. According to the informant, [] has been out of Pharmacist School for about one year and formerly operated the Crest Pharmacy, Joliet, Illinois. He allegedly is investing \$15,000.00 in the store and will pay \$300.00 a month rent to JOHN and IRENE RAY, owners of the building. IRENE RAY is the oldest sister of FRANK FRANZE, brother-in-law of FRANK LA PORTE. The RAYs operate Ray's Super-Mart in East Chicago Heights, Illinois.

This informant also advised that CATUARA and LA PORTE with the help of GUS RUBINO have recently purchased 11 acres of land at 139th and Western Avenue in Blue Island. They intend to build a trailer park

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which will accommodate 175 trailers for permanent type occupancy.

GUS RUBINO also previously purchased land at 154th and Winchester with the idea of building a convalescent home on the property. The land was originally purchased from the Blue Island School Board. For some unknown reason RUBINO backed out of the deal and no effort has been made to construct anything on the property.

On November 13, 1963, informant advised that [redacted] a close associate of BABE TUFFANELLI and FRANK LA PORTE has recently opened the Andan Amusement Corporation, at 12621 Artesian Avenue in Blue Island, Illinois. The company handles a considerable amount of carnival equipment, and appears to have some type of connection with Cooperative Music Company of Chicago Heights, which is owned by the subject.

[redacted] WCGO Radio Station, Chicago Heights, Illinois, advised SA JOSEPH L. SYLVESTER on October 8, 1963 that East Chicago Heights, Illinois which is almost exclusively Negro has recently built a small commercial radio station. They allegedly contacted the Cooperative Music Company which is owned by FRANK LA PORTE to request that some of the company's advertising be done over the new radio station. FRANK FRANZE, subject's brother-in-law, refused saying their advertising was done exclusively over Chicago Heights Station WCGO. The unidentified representative of the East Chicago Heights Station supposedly remarked that it was obvious that the Cooperative Music was trying to discriminate against the Negroes and that he and other influential Negroes in both Chicago Heights and East Chicago Heights may start a boycott movement against Cooperative Music. [redacted] indicated that it was possible that a mysterious fire or bombing may occur at the new radio station. He stated that he has no information to this effect, but in view of the fact that Cooperative Music is owned by the subject, it is well known that it is not healthy for people to get in the way of the subject or his organization.

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Officer [] Chicago Heights Police Department, on October 7, 1963, advised that he observed 1963 Illinois license B258042 on a red truck with the name Modern Movers, Blue Island, Illinois, in front of Cooperative Music. [] and an unknown individual were delivering bowling machines to Chicago Heights location. In a conversation with the unknown individual regarding the legality of machines, he indicated to [] that his company delivered and stored machines which were not so legal. [] stated that from the over-all conversation there was a possibility that syndicate slot machines could be stored and delivered by the above truck.

Records of the Illinois Motor Vehicle Registration reflects that the above number is registered to [] Blue Island. [] was interviewed approximately four years ago in conjunction with the hijacking of Sunnybrook whiskey. During the interview, he admitted that he hauled slot machines and other equipment for Cooperative Music Company in Chicago Heights. He did not state the location as to where the slot machines were located or transferred.

CG T-5 advised on October 26, 1963 that a firm known as Mining and Tunneling Enterprises, Incorporated, care of American Ship Building, 101 Avenue N, Chicago, Illinois, was an organization which he heard was connected in some manner with LA PORTE's gold mine in Nevada. Informant stated that [] telephone RE 4-2000, appeared to be an officer in the above company.

The November 17, 1963 edition of the "Chicago Heights Star", a biweekly newspaper, contained an article which reads in part as follows: "Formation of a trade group composed of sellers of alcoholic beverages in Chicago Heights has been announced by the president, GENO DI NUZZO, owner of Hilltop Liquors. The principal purpose of the council is to improve the public image of the local trade by eliminating operational standards and to act as an information

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clearing house for unknown members seeking trade data. Other offices elected include BEN LEANARDO, Owner of the Silhouette Tavern, ROBERT WILSON, Owner of Bob and Clara's Tavern, JOHN ZARANTI, Owner of Zaranti's Restaurant and Lounge, and SAM PATTI, Owner of Illinois Liquor Mart. It is noted that previous investigation reflects that [] received a \$50.00 gift certificate from the subject in 1961. Bob and Clara's Tavern was recently raided by agents of the Internal Revenue Service and is considered one of the larger horse-book operations in Chicago Heights. [] is a brother of [] who is a partner in the subject's Cooperative Music Company in Chicago Heights. [] is alleged by various Chicago Heights Police officers to be the operator of a gambling game which is held in a room above his tavern.

[] Assistant Manager, Town and Country Motel, Calumet City, Illinois, advised that the manager, [] does not appear to be operating the Town and Country Motel for the benefit of its owners. He advised that in the three weeks he has been at the hotel, he has observed at least three gambling games in operation in rooms which show no registration card for them. He further advised that several girls which he thought to be prostitutes frequent the Lounge and later are observed entering rooms belonging to other guests in the hotel. He advised that it is his opinion that this is going on with the approval of the manager, []. In addition, he has noted that [] is removing considerable food and beverage from the hotel and taking it to an apartment directly across from the motel in which his girl friends resides. It is his opinion that [] will be discharged in the near future by the owners of the motel who are extremely unhappy because the motel has been losing money since [] took over approximately one year ago. He advised that he has heard the name FRANK LA PORTE, but does not personally know him or have any information that [] is associated with LA PORTE, although it is his personal opinion that some type of organized criminal activity exists in the motel and that [] is a part of this organization.

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ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

[redacted] Trooper, Cook County Sheriff's Police, advised on November 9, 1963, that at approximately 2:30 a.m. he stopped the subject and an unknown female at 184th and Halsted Street. The reason he stopped them was that they appeared to be traveling too fast for conditions. When he asked the subject for his driver's license, his female companion became abusive and insisted that the subject drive on and ignore [redacted] inquiries. He advised that after a few minutes, the subject also became abusive and he decided to bring them both into the station for further questioning. [redacted] stated that he did not know who the subject was at that time and that when he brought him into the station, he immediately caused a name check to be made with the Chicago Police Department and it came back no record. Because of the subject's attitude he started to charge him with disorderly conduct and when he threatened to do this the subject immediately quieted down and caused no more trouble. In view of this [redacted] stated that he merely charged him with driving too fast for conditions and caused him to post a \$31.00 bond to appear in Homewood Traffic Court on November 14, 1963. Approximately five minutes after the subject and his female associate were released he met an Illinois State Trooper at the station and he asked if he had any knowledge of the subject. The Trooper explained the subject's position to him and the two of them immediately attempted to relocate the subject and arrest him in order that he could be fingerprinted and photographed. He advised that he and Trooper [redacted] searched the Chicago Heights area for approximately two hours, but were not successful in locating the subject, his associate, or the car.

[redacted] advised that the subject was driving a 1964 Buick Electra 225, bearing Illinois dealers license 1718T, which are dealers plates for Jack Brown Buick Company in Chicago Heights. He described LA PORTE's associate as female, White, American, 5'7" tall, weight 140 pounds, hair blonde, age 32, attractive,

peculiarities tough talking and obscene language. He advised that he did not obtain her name. It is noted that this description coincides with the description of HARRIET POSEY, who is known to be the subject's paramour.

Captain [redacted] Cook County Sheriff's Police, Homewood, Illinois, advised on November 14, 1963 that the subject failed to appear for his traffic citation and that his bond had been forfeited. He stated he had determined from the Cook County States Attorney's Office that a warrant could not be issued for failure to appear, however, he had determined that the subject on his drivers license listed his business address and that the States Attorney had issued a warrant for fraudulent drivers license registration. He stated that in view of this he has instructed all his officers to immediately arrest the subject upon sight and to have him fingerprinted and photographed prior to allowing him to make bond. He advised that this is a highly technical charge and that he does not expect to entertain a successful prosecution when the subject is arrested. He advised that he had received orders from Cook County Sheriff RICHARD OGILVIE that he should assign all his officers to be on the lookout for LA PORTE in order that the warrant could be executed.

[redacted] Madison, Illinois Police Department, advised on October 19, 1963 that [redacted] former Chicago Heights Policeman and [redacted] who is currently under arrest for the charge of murder, are partners in an auto theft ring. These two individuals recently offered a 1962 Chevrolet to a friend of his. They told this friend that they could be contacted at the telephone number Skyline 4-0456, which is listed to [redacted] Steger, Illinois. It is noted that [redacted] was sponsored for the Police Department by FRANK LA PORTE and that he was considered an important figure on the Department prior to the recent change of administration and that shortly after this he was discharged from the Department for being associated with a prostitute who was involved in a burglary of a Chicago Heights property owner.

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Records of the Cook County Sheriff's Police reflect that [redacted] Chicago Heights, was arrested on a gambling charge at the E-Z Snack Shop, 15639 Halsted Street, Harvey. [redacted] was released on \$300.00 bond for an October 31, 1963 appearance by the Justice of the Peace in Homewood, Illinois. According to the Sheriff's records the E-Z Snack Shop was being used as a horse bookmaking establishment. It is noted that [redacted] is a distant relative of FRANK LA PORTE. It was previously noted that band leader RALPH MARTERIE was arrested on a vice charge by the Chicago Police Department along with [redacted] an associate of the subject's nephew, FRANK LUZI. This charge was later dismissed by the Chicago Municipal Court without prosecution.

POLICE AND POLITICAL TIE-IN

CG T-8 advised that the subject's organization has considerable control over local law enforcement in South Cook County. He stated that he knows from personal knowledge that approximately four years ago the son of a Lieutenant of the Chicago Heights Police Department has a son who was caught in the apartment belonging to the wife of [redacted] brother. [redacted] contacted the police Lieutenant and told him that if his son did not immediately leave town he would be killed for the insult to [redacted]. Informant advised that the boy left town that night and has been afraid to return to Chicago Heights since that time. The police Lieutenant took the matter to the then Chief of Police PHIL HOWARD, who stated that he could do nothing about the matter and that he should insist that his son stay out of Chicago Heights. Informant advised that LA PORTE, RALPH EMERY, and [redacted] visited Chief HOWARD's private office on the average of once a month.

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This informant also advised that SAM DE GIOVANNI is still contacted by FRANK LA PORTE on matters of policy. Although SAM DE GIOVANNI as he is known is approximately 70 years old, he still demands considerable respect from LA PORTE and other hoodlums in the Chicago Heights area. This informant advised that CHRIS GREGORY, who is a powerful behind the scenes political figure in Chicago Heights is probably the only political figure in the area who does not cater to the demands of the syndicate. GREGORY is currently City Attorney for the City of Chicago Heights. It is this source's opinion that LA PORTE gains most of his political power in conjunction with RAY SCHULTZ, who until recently was the most powerful Republican figure in Chicago Heights. LA PORTE always supported both political parties in order to assure himself of control regardless of who won the election. LA PORTE continues to furnish money to most all police officers in Chicago Heights by having an associate drop off envelopes at Christmas time which are ostensibly received from the Cooperative Music Company. The source advised that in his opinion the new Chief of Police, MARK ORLICK, will not be able to control the syndicate even though he personally is an honest and capable police officer. He advised that his reason for this statement is because practically every police officer has accepted favors from LA PORTE or other hoodlums and they will be unable to turn their backs and now cause strict enforcement of the laws.

Captain [] Assistant Chief Investigator, Cook County States Attorney's Police, advised on October 30, 1963 that approximately one month after he assumed his present duties he was approached by an unnamed friend of his who is a member of the Chicago Police Department. This friend indicated that he had been in touch with FRANK LA PORTE who was prepared to pay Captain [] \$800.00 a month for information regarding contemplated gambling raids by the States Attorney's Police. Captain [] advised that he refused the offer and has not been contacted or approached by anyone connected with the syndicate since that time. Captain [] refused to furnish the name of the police officer who made the offer to him stating

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that this type of inquiry and offer is normal procedure inasmuch as the Chicago Police have for many years been corrupted by the syndicate and no advantage could be gained by disclosing his friends name. The Chicago Heights Star of October 30, 1963 named an article which reads in part as follows: "JAMES HUNT, Superintendent of Chicago Heights Street Department, denied that a shake-up had occurred in his department that resulted in the discharge of three employees. No one was fired" HUNT said. LOUIS GIULIANI and JOSEPH MANCINI were laid off because of cut back in work. JACOBUCCI submitted his resignation because he received an offer for a higher paying job. HUNT said JOHN A. MALONI, Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements, could not be reached for comment.

Chief MARK ORLICK, Chicago Heights Police Department, advised that three individuals laid off were all ex-convicts which had previously been hired by JOHN MALONI, a Chicago Heights City Commissioner who is also an ex-convict. He advised that an unnamed individual had complained to his department that the three individuals had attempted to "shake him down" regarding the cutting of trees from City streets in Chicago Heights. This individual refused to "pad" the work done by him which he was supposed to turn over to the three individuals. ORLICK stated that he took the matter to the Mayor who called in Commissioner MALONI and advised him that he should immediately fire the ex-convicts or he would turn the matter to the States Attorney for possible prosecution. He advised that MALONI agreed to this action and no further action was contemplated.



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Reference Reference is made to report
 of Special Agent Thomas W.
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CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

Chicago T-1 is an employee of another
governmental agency.

Chicago T-2 is an individual who has
knowledge of hoodlums' financial interests in South
Cook County, Illinois.

Chicago T-3 is an individual who is familiar
with the gambling element in South Cook County, Illinois.

Chicago T-4 is an individual who has a wide
acquaintance among the criminal element in Calumet
City, Illinois.

Chicago T-5 is a person who has associates
in the organized criminal element of South Cook County,
Illinois.

Chicago T-6 is a gambler who has a wide
acquaintance in South Cook County, Illinois.

Chicago T-7 is an individual with a criminal
record who has engaged over a number of years in the
business of providing election services and equipment
to known gamblers.

Chicago T-8 is currently a police officer in
the South Suburban area of Chicago.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-5793)

DATE: December 24, 1963

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)

SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE
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Find enclosed six copies of a letterhead memorandum requesting investigation at St. Rose, Canada.

It is requested that this information be forwarded to the Legal Attache, Quebec, Canada, for appropriate action.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Chicago, Illinois
December 24, 1963

FRANK LA PORTE
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Frank La Porte formerly operated several "striptease joints" in Calumet City, Illinois. He continues to exercise considerable control over organized criminal activity in the above area.

A source has advised that one [redacted] [redacted] St. Rose, Canada, was associated with La Porte and would be in a position to furnish considerable background information on this individual.

It is requested that efforts be made to ascertain any pertinent information in the possession of [redacted]

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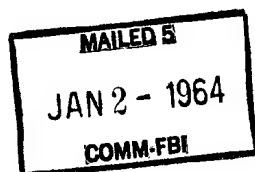
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Enclosed are two copies of revised letterhead memorandum which has been forwarded to Legat, Ottawa, for appropriate attention.

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Date: 12/20/63

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-350 Sub New)
SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, aka
AR "JUNE"

During the course of investigation of LA PORTE and other facets of the Criminal Intelligence Program, the Cooperative Music Company, 1728 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, has been prominent.

Investigation has established that this company is owned by the subject and his associates. It appears that this is the central location where LA PORTE meets on a frequent basis with his associates and subordinates. The company was established as a juke box distributing outlet but is believed to handle the administrative details of LA PORTE's illegal slot machine operations. The company is managed by LA PORTE's brother-in-law FRANK FRANZE. It is believed that a source in this company could provide valuable information regarding all organized criminal activity in the south suburban area of Chicago.

The Bureau is requested for permission to conduct a survey for possible misur installation in the above company. Complete security will be afforded.

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Approved: [Signature]
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

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Director, FBI

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1 - J. D. Donohue
1 - J. G. Leggett

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FRANK LA PORTE, aka.
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Re Chicago airtel 12/20/63.

Based on your recommendation and provided full security assured, authority granted to conduct survey to determine feasibility of misur at Cooperative Music Company, 1728 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

Advise the Bureau promptly of the results of this survey when completed and in the event authority for installation desired, submit appropriate FD-142.

NOTE: LaPorte is an associate of Sam Giancana and top echelon members of the Chicago underworld group. He has been described as the overseer of the Southern Cook County for Giancana. Investigation discloses that he meets frequently with associates at Cooperative Music Company, which was established as a jukebox distributing outlet but believed to handle LaPorte's illegal slot machine operations. Chicago requested authority for survey in connection with possible misur at this location.

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**FRANK LA PORTE, AKA
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| Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit Bulky Exhibit Room | Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same Possible evidence, to be destroyed at close of case. |
| Description of Property or Exhibit and Identity of Agent Submitting Same | |

SA T. Parrish

Unknown pieces of scrap from subj. room 622 at St. James Hosp.
appears to be receipts from Gambling.

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From: Legal Attache, Ottawa

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Enclosed are the following communications received from the RCMP: **Three copies of**
 [] letter dated 1/31/64, which is self-explanatory.

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| TITLE OF CASE FRANK LA PORTE, aka | | REPORT MADE BY SA THOMAS W. PARRISH | TYPED BY MJD |
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REFERENCE: Report of SA THOMAS W. PARRISH dated 12/12/63,
at Chicago.

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Enclosed for the Bureau are two (2) copies of
letterhead memorandum reflecting characterization of
informants.

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The majority of investigative leads to other
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AT OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA. 1. Recontact [] and thoroughly interview her regarding her knowledge of GUADAGNOLA financial position and involvements.

2. Determine descriptions of subject's bodyguards and how long a period of time subject usually stays in the Linden area.

3. Attempt to make arrangements for regular interviews of [] in order to obtain additional information she may develop in her continuing friendship with subject's sister.

AT STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA. 1. Contact [] 328 North California, Number 3, identify [] (LNU), and determine blood relationship with subject.

2. Determine exact location of "hideout" and establish sources to advise when subject is in the area.

3. Develop financial background on business operated by [] husband.

4. Attempt to develop sources that can furnish license numbers and guests that visit GUADAGNOLA residence.

5. Interview []

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to conduct investigation regarding subject's background and activities.

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DETAILS:

STATUS OF HEALTH

CG T-1 advised on January 30, 1964, that the subject is a patient of the 10th Street Clinic, Chicago Heights, Illinois. His personal physician is Dr. [REDACTED] Informant last observed the subject on January 24, 1964. He came to the clinic for a blood test. This test is necessary because the subject is constantly on Coumadin (blood thinner), and it is necessary to have blood tests run approximately every three weeks in order to insure that the patient does not become a "bleeder." The medication itself is taken orally. The blood tests are given by the clinic every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 12:00 noon. The subject seldom makes an appointment, but in the past has made a practice of entering the clinic around 11:30 A.M. He is not regular as far as the blood tests are concerned, and has gone as long as seven weeks without an examination. Because of his heart condition, he is expected to continue the medication for the rest of his life. Informant advised that he has been to the subject's home on several occasions and knows for a fact that the house is an armed fortress. It contains an intercom system which runs directly to all of his brothers-in-law's homes in the area. Because of the remoteness of the street, any car which turns into Cambridge Road is immediately described over the intercom to other members of the family. It is the informant's opinion that it would be impossible to approach the vicinity of the subject's house without alerting him or some member of his family. Informant stated that he would describe the subject's health as poor, and that he has lost considerable weight and looks "gruesome." Based on his knowledge of the subject and his conversations, LA PORTE is much more concerned with other hoodlums than he is with law enforcement officials. His main purpose in providing for his security at his home results from expected attacks from other unknown hoodlums. He has stated to the informant.

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INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is [] contacted on 1/30/64
by SA THOMAS W. PARRISH.

CG T-2 is [] contacted on 1/30/64
by SA PARRISH.

CG T-3 is [] Internal Revenue
Service, contacted by SA JOSEPH L. SYLVESTER on 1/30/64.

CG T-4 is [] Illinois Crime Commission,
contacted by SA PARRISH.

CG T-5 is [] contacted by SA PARRISH.

CG T-6 is [] contacted by SA KENNETH L.
GROPPER.

CG T-7 is [] (By request) contacted
by SA []

CG T-8 is [] Harvey Police Department,
contacted by SA PARRISH.

CG T-9 is [] (By request) contacted by
SE [] San Francisco Division.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA THOMAS W. PARRISH
Date: 2/28/64

Office: Chicago, Illinois

Field Office File No.: 92-920

Bureau File No.: 92-5793

Title: FRANK LA PORTE

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Subject continues to maintain residence at 1730 Cambridge Road, Flossmoor, Illinois. He recently requested admittance to St. James Hospital, Chicago Heights, Illinois, to recuperate from an attack of pneumonia. He was refused admittance and was treated at his Flossmoor residence by his sister-in-law, DOLLY BARTUSIEWICZ. Subject's paramour, [redacted] is presently the manager of Park Lane Beauty Salon, Calumet City, Illinois. The owner is listed as [redacted] an employee of the subject's cooperative music company. Subject in Linden, California, during Christmas holidays. He has indicated to sources that he is part owner of the Cal-Neva Lodge, Lake Tahoe, California. He is currently expressing considerable fear of other hoodlums in the area, and information indicates that JIMMIE "THE BOMBER" CATUARO is attempting to take control of organized crime in the south suburban Cook County. Additional legitimate enterprises of subject set forth.

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that he has trouble sleeping because he constantly fears that rival hoodlums are trying to take his life because of the general breakdown of the rackets which were formerly profitable for numerous people.

Informant advised that in his opinion Dr. [] is not a personal friend of LA PORTE's, although they were both born in the same general area in Italy. It is possible that the doctor may fear him and goes out of his way to overlook the subject's indiscretions, such as not making appointments, etc. It is informant's opinion that if Dr. [] was contacted by law enforcement officials he would refuse to furnish any information regarding the subject because of his medical ethics and the additional fact that he fears the subject's organization.

Informant, recontacted on February 4, 1964, and advised that while the subject was incapacitated due to pneumonia he stayed at his own home and was attended to by his sister-in-law, Mrs. DOLLY BARTUSIEWICZ. On January 15, 1964, subject, through Dr. [] applied for admission to the St. James Hospital, Chicago Heights, Illinois. He was refused admittance because of overcrowding. It was Dr. [] medical opinion that the pneumonia could be satisfactorily treated at his home, and no issue of the lack of hospital space was made. Prior to the present administration of St. James Hospital, it is the informant's opinion that had any effort been made to register the subject as a patient, he would have been admitted even if it was necessary to discharge a critically ill patient. Because of newspaper notoriety and the general decline in hoodlum control of Chicago Heights, the subject has lost considerable prestige and individuals do not cater to his desires as much as was formerly the case. Recently, Mrs. LA PORTE came to the 10th Street Clinic and was treated for a minor illness. She came alone, which is the first time this has happened in several years. Informant advised that from this fact he assumes that Mrs. LA PORTE is recovering from her previous mental illness. In the past she was always accompanied by a nurse or a member of the family.

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In previous conversation with the subject, the informant advised that he overheard the subject talking with an employee of the clinic who was planning to travel to California for a vacation. The subject stated that if they decided to take the northern route he would "fix them up with a pass" to the Cal-Neva Club at Lake Tahoe, California. From the over-all conversation, the informant gained the impression that LA PORTE was a part-owner of the club. In addition, he further advised the employee that he had a sister near Stockton, California, and that the employee should stop and see her if their travels took them near that location. On another occasion, after the employee at the clinic had returned from her vacation and had not stopped at either the subject's sister or the Cal-Neva Club, the subject appeared disappointed that she had not accepted his offer and insisted that in the future they should definitely spend some time at Cal-Neva.

RESIDENCE

Chief CLIFFORD PAULING, Flossmoor Police Department, Flossmoor, Illinois, advised that recently there has been considerable activity at the BARTUSIEWICZ residence. He has noted in his spot checks of Cambridge Road that there are several cars during the late evening hours parked at that residence. Most of the cars are known to belong to associates of the subject. He advised that his officers have been unable to obtain all license registrations because of the fence which surrounds the house and the fact that they are parked in the driveway which is some distance from the street.

On frequent occasions one of the subject's numerous automobiles has been observed parked in the vicinity of his paramour's residence at 1728 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

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By communication dated January 21, 1964, the San Francisco Office advised that subject, during part of December, 1963, was observed at the home of his sister, Mrs. JEANIE GUADAGNOLA, Linden, California. No information available indicating how long the subject had been in that area.

Regular spot checks during both daylight and evening hours indicate that the subject rarely visits the residence of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Calumet City, Illinois.

RELATIVES

Chief CLIFFORD PAULING advised that the subject has a relative by the same name employed by the Chicago Police Department.

A review of available personnel records reflect that a [REDACTED] is a patrolman for the Chicago Police Department, and is assigned to the 12th District, which station is located at Roosevelt and Western Avenues. He has Badge Number 8245. He resides at [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois, telephone number ST 3-6454. No other pertinent information is available.

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ASSOCIATES

~~PAUL~~ UNDERWOOD
9233 South Raymond Street
Oak Lawn, Illinois

CG T-2 advised that PAUL UNDERWOOD, who is a major builder in south suburban Cook County, is a front for various hoodlums who are supplying money for the building of apartments and residences in Markham and Chicago Heights, and Harvey, Illinois. According to the informant, the hoodlum money backing the operation belongs to ROCCO DE STEFANO and FRANK LA PORTE. In the past year,

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approximately three suspicious fires have occurred in apartment buildings handled by Underwood Builders. Although state investigators have been constantly investigating the fires, no positive information has been developed as to the cause of the fires; however, the suspicion is that they are started for insurance purposes.

UNDERWOOD was interviewed by Deputy State Fire Marshal [redacted] and furnished the following information:

He is the owner of the group of apartment buildings known as Coronet Village in Harvey, Illinois. The title is held in trust and the P and H Builders are the trustees, or possibly Faries Homes, Incorporated. The trust is held by the American National Bank. UNDERWOOD admitted that he was the owner of the P and H Corporation which holds the beneficial interest in the trust. UNDERWOOD also admitted that he had considerable financial dealings with the Lincoln Federal Savings and Loan, as well as the Hillside Savings and Loan. UNDERWOOD denied knowing FRANK LA PORTE or his nephew, FRANK LUZI, as well as other hoodlums who have been connected with him in the past. He admitted an acquaintance with MANNY SKAR (former owner of the Sahara Inn). He stated that approximately three years ago he was building some buildings for a corporation, and while the buildings were under construction, MANNY SKAR purchased the corporation, and that he ended up as SKAR's employee. The buildings were located at 171st Street west of Dixie Highway in Hazel Crest, Illinois. He denied that SKAR purchased the buildings from him. According to him, the buildings were owned by GEORGE AUSMUS, HY LEVINSON, ED ALBRIGHT, JOE PAGE, and another unrecalled individual. He denied that he had any knowledge of the transaction, except that it occurred during the middle of 1961.

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[redacted]
Calumet City, Illinois

[redacted] was interviewed on December 28, 1963, and advised that he was a nephew of JIM EMERY, who formerly controlled organized crime in Calumet City. He admitted that his uncle furnished him the money to go into business in operation of the Zig Zag Club in Calumet City, Illinois. He opened the club in 1945 after his release from the United States Army, and maintained that no illegal operations were conducted at the club from its inception to the present time. He admitted that prior to EMERY's death he was known as "King of the Street" and that often it was necessary to take drastic action against competition because of their business practices. He advised that he was referring to the 20 some night clubs or "strip joints" located in Calumet City at the time. He refused to explain the meaning of the term "drastic action" and denied that he ever participated in a murder or a beating. He denied that he had any personal knowledge of anyone else committing a murder. He indicated that of the several murders and disappearances which occurred in Calumet City, most were justified because they were "bad guys." He explained the difference between "nice guys" and "bad guys" was that the "nice guys" took good care of their families and would lend a person money when he needed it. He indicated that the fact that the same individual violated numerous laws of the state and country did not necessarily make him a "bad guy." He stated that laws were made by politicians so they could "grab all the money."

[redacted] admitted that he was well acquainted with FRANK LA PORTE, and that he first met LA PORTE when he was assistant to his uncle, JIM EMERY. LA PORTE became successful because of his good business ability in operating the gambling conducted at the Owl Club in Calumet City. There was a minimum of interference by police politicians and that LA PORTE was able to maintain a nice, easy operation at a minimum of cost. He stated he has never

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heard of LA PORTE doing anything wrong and that in his opinion the newspapers of Chicago should be closed down for constantly writing untrue stories about LA PORTE and other Italians in the area. He advised that he could prove that LA PORTE took good care of his family and never hurt anybody that did not deserve it. He requested termination of the interview because of business commitments.

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[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Illinois

Physical surveillance of [REDACTED] reflects that she, on a daily basis, travels from her apartment to 1135 West 127th Street, Calumet Park, Illinois. Spot checks indicate that she remains there during the greater part of the working day. CG T-2 advised on January 21, 1964, that 1135 West 127th Street is occupied by the Park Lane Beauty Salon. Its owner is listed as [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Illinois, Telephone Skyline 4-4882. Other records reflect that the owner is a [REDACTED]. The business was opened on December 6, 1963. [REDACTED] is listed as shop manager and another employee is [REDACTED].

It is noted that [REDACTED] is an employee of the Cooperative Music Company in Chicago Heights, which is owned by the subject LA PORTE. [REDACTED] is a nephew of the subject, and is the son of FRANK FRANZE, who manages the Cooperative Music Company. Inquiry to date fails to disclose the financial arrangements, which allowed the opening of the beauty salon.

On several occasions during the evening hours, one of several cars utilized by the subject has been observed parked in the vicinity of [REDACTED] apartment, however, the subject has not been observed entering or leaving the building.

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~~PHIL BACINO~~
121 State Street
Calumet City, Illinois

On December 3, 1963, BACINO was interviewed at John's Pizzeria, Telephone TORrence 2-8870. BACINO admitted that he has used the name TONY BELLOW in the past, and that he was involved in the bootlegging racket many years ago. He also admitted that he served three years in jail for this offense. He claimed that when he was released he was "rehabilitated" and that he has gone straight ever since. He stated that he opened up a pizza parlor a number of years ago, and that he built it up to its present status today. He hopes to turn this shop over to his son when he passes away. He advised that he is on the premises every day from 4:00 PM to 4:00 AM, and that he works as his own cook in preparing food for this establishment. He flatly denied being connected with any of the rackets, however, he admitted knowing FRANK LA PORTE, stating that he was a customer of his. He indicated that he knew many people in the area inasmuch as they are customers of his, and that many of them might possibly be connected with illegal activities, but he knows them only as customers. Under no circumstances does he have any business connections with them. He denied that he had ever allowed gambling on the premises of the pizzeria.

~~SAM GERACI~~
1630 South Ashland
Chicago Heights, Illinois

GERACI was interviewed on December 3, 1963. He has telephone number 754-0136. During the course of the interview, GERACI utilized a friendly and courteous attitude during the time the name FRANK LA PORTE was discussed. He stated that he has been retired for approximately 12 years, and that he is presently 76 years of age. He denied that he has been in contact with LA PORTE or any of his old associates. He admitted that he might have been involved in illegal bootlegging operations, but

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claimed that he knows nothing of what is going on at the present time. When an effort was made to discuss matters pertaining to AL CAPONE's operations, and other matters relating to the crime syndicate, GERACI remained silent and did not comment on any of these activities. In view of GERACI's advanced age, the interview was terminated.

It is pointed out that during the month of November, 1963, FRANK LA PORTE and PETE ZARANTI were observed entering GERACI's house where they remained for approximately one hour.

[redacted]
Olympia Fields, Illinois

CG T-3 advised that an investigation was being conducted into the affairs of [redacted] former bodyguard of FRANK LA PORTE. He stated that the investigation indicated that a Chicago Heights liquor license had been sold to [redacted] by [redacted] of the City Beverage Company for \$5,000 on April 29, 1960. The license had been obtained by [redacted] from a customer who had been indebted to him. [redacted] through Chicago Heights attorneys [redacted] in turn sold this liquor license to the Walgreen Drug Corporation in Chicago Heights for an alleged \$15,000. Walgreen's located a check for \$23,000 made out to [redacted] and [redacted] which was dated May 2, 1960. Informant advised that [redacted] readily admitted the amount received was correct, and that \$8,000 was for legal services furnished to the Walgreen Corporation, and that a \$15,000 check was made to [redacted] by the attorneys firm and drawn on the First National Bank in Chicago Heights, Illinois, however, no cancellation of the check was shown. Walgreen's advised that they did not know the purpose of the \$23,000. Informant advised that [redacted] formerly had been a trust holder along with [redacted] Blue Island, Illinois, in the Berland Gardens located at Vermont and Ashland Avenue in Blue Island. This property formerly belonged to (FNU)

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[redacted] of Midlothian, Illinois. This property was later sold to the "Owl Club", which was also in trust. A total of \$52,000 had been spent on remodeling the club. Prior to 1961, [redacted] had been a partner in Wilco, but this partnership was later dissolved because of [redacted] activities with the Hod Carriers Union in Chicago Heights, Illinois. It is noted that LA PORTE is the reported owner and operator of the Wilco Company.

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TONY FRANZE
1208 Dixie Highway
Flossmoor, Illinois

CG T-4 advised that on January 11, 1964, he was attempting to locate LA PORTE in order to execute a warrant, which had been previously issued by the Cook County Sheriff's Office. At approximately 12 midnight he observed a 1964 Blue Buick Electra 225, bearing Illinois dealer plate 1718-C, pulling out of the driveway of the subject's brother-in-law TONY FRANZE and proceed along the busy highway with only its parking lights on. He advised, in view of previous information known to him, he curbed the automobile and the driver identified himself as [redacted] an employee of the Cooperative Music Company. He observed lying on the seat of the car a 1964 Illinois license FC 5266. The driver attempted to hide the license and refused to identify their owner. A subsequent check of the Motor Vehicle Department reflects these license numbers are issued to the Cooperative Music Company, Chicago Heights.

Informant advised that it was obvious to him that the plates are to be used on one of the subjects personal automobiles. [redacted] refused to furnish any additional information and he was allowed to continue. Informant stated that on January 31, 1964, he observed the same automobile, which bore license number FC 5266, driving east on Holbrook Road. Informant stated he again stopped this automobile and determined that TONY FRANZE and [redacted] were in the front seat. The back seat was occupied

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by two elderly women, who appeared to be the wives of these individuals. Informant stated because of his position he could not demand additional information from the occupants.

JOE GUZZINO
1065 Wentworth
Calumet City, Illinois

Information was received from an anonymous source that JOE GUZZINO, who had telephone 862-7019, had received a call from a [redacted] in New Orleans, Louisiana. This unknown individual advised that [redacted] had stated that GUZZINO was a close friend of FRANCESCO COPPOLA, the chief of the Sicilian Maffia.

CG T-5 advised that GUZZINO continues to participate and operate a gambling game at 519 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, as well as a gambling game at the Town Hotel in Cicero, Illinois. This informant later advised that the Cicero game is closed because of the "heat" created by the Cook County Sheriff's invasion of that city. Informant stated that GUZZINO has to travel to Chicago for his gambling because all the big games in South Cook County are closed.

[redacted]
Morton Grove, Illinois

CG T-6 advised that she had determined that FRANK LA PORTE and [redacted] are cousins. Informant was unable to determine the exact information regarding the relationship. [redacted] has stated that LA PORTE is considered an important figure in the organized crime field of Chicago. During the same period of time [redacted] intimated that he was also well acquainted with SAM GIANCANA. The informant stated that she tended to discount this information as [redacted] has a tendency to amplify and embellish his actual association with various hoodlums.

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[redacted]
Blue Island, Illinois

CG T-2 advised that [redacted] a lieutenant of GEORGE "Babe" TUFFONELLI, is engaged in a new business, The Andan Amusement Corporation, 12621 South Artesian, Blue Island. [redacted] opened a bank account in the amount of \$2,500 in the County Bank of Blue Island. He claims that this business consists of carnival rides, which he valued at \$61,000. The only liabilities are \$8,100 which is a loan to an unknown finance company. [redacted] stated that this corporation will operate rides, "claw games" and games of chance at various carnivals. It will follow the county and state fair circuits in the Middle West. Its operations will be from May through November.

[redacted] stated to the informant that the A&A Demolition Engineers, Incorporated, is inactive and that it "never got off the ground." The officers of the new corporation are [redacted] and his two sons [redacted]. The oldest is [redacted] age 26, married and is employed as an inspector for the Kaizer Aluminum Company. [redacted] is a law student.

Informant advised that he subsequently heard that [redacted] through the help of FRANK LA PORTE, obtained a Government contract and a contract at St. Francis Hospital for construction of an unknown type. ALLAN is registered as an union man in some building trades union.

[redacted]
Oak Forest, Illinois

CG T-2 advised that [redacted] who formerly ran several "strip joints" for FRANK LA PORTE in Calumet City, recently purchased a run-down grocery store at the above address. With his connections, he

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subsequently obtained a liquor store license and is presently remodeling the premises. Informant stated that [] resides in the rear of the store. The total assets of the company at present are \$29,000, but [] claims that sales average \$25,000 per month. The building is held in trust with the Cosmopolitan National Bank of Chicago as the trustee. He claimed that the building is worth \$80,000, subject to a present mortgage of \$60,000, payable at \$487 per month. The informant advised he overheard a telephone call, and that [] addressed the caller as [] became very serious and was not his usual clowning self during the telephone conversation. He stated that "I'll have all the mortgage papers in South Chicago by 2:00". [] also admitted to the informant that he formerly operated a hotel at 4th and Franklin Street in Michigan City, Indiana, from 1962 to early 1963. He claimed that [] sold him the hotel with a \$160,000 mortgage attached. After about six months, he lost money and turned it back to [] originally purchased the hotel for \$60,000 and through his contacts was able to place a \$160,000 mortgage on it. [] also told the informant that he operated a hotel for liquor store owner [] in Union City, Indiana.

[] Chicago Heights, Illinois, advised on February 14, 1964, that he recently had a conversation with [] who stated that he was working as a painter for a Chicago company and that his main job is obtaining the painting of gas stations in the area. [] approached [] on the idea of purchasing four tires on a credit card. He stated that he would take only three tires and [] could obtain the price of the fourth tire as a clear profit. [] stated he had worked this deal with Malizzo's Shell Station on the east side of Chicago Heights, and that he hoped to work it with Chester's Standard Station, which is located on Highway 30, west of Ashland Avenue.

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~~FRANK LUZI~~
197¹/₂ East 154th Street
Harvey, Illinois

On February 12, 1964, FRANK LUZI was observed in Chicago Heights driving a 1958 black Buick, bearing 1963 Illinois license PY 5309, which are listed to [redacted] [redacted] Chicago, on a Buick.

Chief MATT ROEMER, Harvey, Illinois Police Department, advised that on January 6, 1964, LUZI reported the theft of his 1963 Buick Electra, which bore Illinois license 929-852 for 1964, and serial number 8J1021668. The car was insured by Highway Insurance Company of 330 South Wells Street, Chicago, Illinois, and the value was listed as \$5,600. According to the details of the offense, the car was taken while LUZI was out of Harvey. Upon his return, the auto was gone from its parking place, which was located at 154th and Broadway. The official police report noted that under the floor mat on the driver's side was a .38 caliber snub-nose revolver, bearing an unknown serial number. To date, this car has not been located.

LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

CG T-7 advised on February 4, 1964, that he overheard a conversation indicating that [redacted] had received a call from [redacted]. According to the informant, [redacted] asked [redacted] to meet with FRANK LA PORTE and himself on February 5, 1964, at 2340 West Roosevelt Road, Chicago, Illinois. To the best of the informant's knowledge, the meeting had something to do with the trading of used scavenger equipment. Informant stated that [redacted] is the regional manager of the Pack More Corporation of San Antonio, Texas, which sells scavenger equipment to companies in the Midwest. Informant advised that [redacted] is some type of hoodlum with the scavenger business in Chicago. A physical surveillance of 2340 Roosevelt Road reflects the address to be a small diner. [redacted] were observed entering the restaurant. [redacted] was later overheard speaking on the telephone, and he later advised [redacted] that he had received instructions to meet with FRANK

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LA PORTE and JOE LA PORTE in a bar located in the 2100 block of South Cicero Avenue. [] was observed to drive to this bar, which is located on the west side of the street across from the Western Electric Company. FRANK and JOE LA PORTE were observed entering by the back door. On February 6, 1964, informant advised that [] had stated to him that the purpose of the meeting between LA PORTE and [] was to arrange the details regarding the purchasing of four new salvage truck bodies. LA PORTE indicated his desire to pay \$10,000 for each unit, but with only \$1,000 down, and that the final details were to be worked out at a garage in Chicago Heights, which is located on Route 30. Efforts were made to locate the garage referred to by the informant by the Chicago Office, and the only one in the area appeared to be an abandoned garage which is sometimes used by the Skyline Scavenger Company operated by JOE LA PORTE. Its address is 140 East 14th Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois. Observation of the garage failed to reflect that either [] or FRANK LA PORTE appeared at the garage. It is noted that [] was driving a 1963 Chevrolet Impala with Illinois license GT 9805, and that the automobile driven by [] was not observed. Skyline Disposal has a pick-up truck with a two way radio arrow attached which bears Illinois license B253352.

CG T-4 advised that LA PORTE and his associates continue to operate the Suak Drug Company in Sauk Village, Illinois. Informant further advised the subject's paramour [] is a close friend of a [] of 4015 Montgomery, Chicago, Illinois, who has telephone number CL 4-5988. Informant further added that [] possibly is associated with [] who is wanted by the Federal Narcotics Bureau. Informant stated they observed LA PORTE in October, 1963, at Calumet City, Illinois, talking with []

[] They were observed at Phil's Barber Shop located at State Line Road, Sibley Boulevard. It is noted that [] previously has been used as look out for all big gambling games operated by the subject, and that [] is known as the subject's lieutenant in the

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Calumet City area. Informant advised that he has heard that LA PORTE has an interest along with [redacted] in the building where the Italian Village, 425 West State Street, Calumet City, is located, which is leased by one [redacted]. He stated that there is some indication that [redacted] [redacted] who recently purchased the Oaks Motel in order to operate the American Health Studio in Calumet City, is connected with LA PORTE.

[redacted] Cook County Sheriff's Police, advised on January 9, 1964, that he formerly worked part time as an employee of the Arena located at 103rd and Cicero. He stated that [redacted] under a corporation known as Altex, bought the property for the shopping center from some unknown woman. The buildings were constructed by [redacted] who operate from approximately 8500 South Chicago Avenue. [redacted] was formerly associated with the Arena Auto Auction and has previously been called before the Cook County Grand Jury regarding a bomb which was exploded at the back door of his home and which was allegedly dropped because he had double crossed some South side hoodlums, including FRANK LA PORTE. [redacted] took the Fifth Amendment and refused to answer any questions. The general rumor at the opening of the Arena indicated that [redacted] and [redacted] had money in the operation and that JIMMIE CATUARO and FRANK LA PORTE were silent partners. After it appeared that the operation was not going to make a large amount of money, CATUARO and LA PORTE reportedly pulled out of the operation. [redacted] advised that he gained most of this information from a waitress who sometimes dated [redacted] but has since left the city.

[redacted] stated that he knows from his own knowledge that [redacted] often came to the bar with other guests, and that they never paid a bill. He has personally observed the bills in the amount of \$200, which were not collected from any of them. On other occasions he has observed [redacted] and JIMMIE CATUARO sitting and drinking without paying. He has also overheard CATUARO state that when [redacted] was arrested by the FBI, CATUARO asked several of the hoodlums to collect \$5,000 to help [redacted] fight the case. He said it was very obvious

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that no one wanted to object to CATUARO's demand.

[] stated that [] a fence who previously had an interest in the Dixmore Auto Salvage Company at 140th and Dixie Highway, supposedly had some interest in the Arena Center.

By communication dated December 23, 1963, the San Francisco Office advised as follows:

WILLIAM EVANS, Sheriff, Mono County, California, stated that FRANK LA PORTE was unknown to him personally, and that the files of his agency contain no record of him.

He stated that the records of the Clerk's Office reflect that incorporation papers were filed June 14, 1957, for the Kanaranze Ore Milling Company, Incorporated, of Dover, Kent County, Delaware. According to these papers, the incorporators were listed as [] and that the filing was handled through [] Dover, Delaware.

Sheriff EVANS stated that additional inquiry disclosed that [] was the former superintendent of the Kanaranze Ore Milling and occasionally returns to the Bridgeport area to do some prospecting, but that the mill has never been in operation since it was built about 1959. He stated that [] now resides at [] California.

Sheriff EVANS also stated that he has learned that FRANK LA PORTE has been in the Bridgeport area on several occasions in the past, claiming to be in some way affiliated with the Canaz Mill. He was unable to develop any specific information of LA PORTE's financial interest.

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Officer [] Chicago Heights Police Department, previously advised that he had observed a red truck with the name Modern Movers, Blue Island, Illinois, in front of the Cooperative Music. [] and an unknown individual were delivering bowling machines to the music company. The unknown person advised [] that he had previously delivered machines which were "not so legal."

A check of the Motor Vehicle Department reflects that license number B258042 was registered to [] Blue Island, Illinois, for a Chevrolet pickup truck. An individual by this same name is known to the Chicago Office and in the past admitted that he hauled all types of machines for FRANK LA PORTE.

CG T-2 advised that [] is the insurance recipient for the Planters Lounge on Halsted Street in Chicago Heights, Illinois. The license for the Planters Lounge is in the name of RICHARD GUZZINO, but RALPH EMERY is always at the Planters and appears to be the true owner.

It is noted that the spot checks of the subject's residence in Flossmoor, Illinois, discloses that an automobile registered to [] has been frequently observed in the driveway of FRANK FRANZE and FRANK LA PORTE.

Sergeant [] Major Investigations Division, Cook County Sheriff's Office, Bedford Park, Illinois, advised that he had recently heard from a source that the person who owned Poor Richards Gourmet Club in Glenwood, Illinois, was backed by south side hoodlum money.

CG T-2 advised that Poor Richards Gourmet Club is owned by RICHARD RYAN. He purchased the business in 1955 at a price of \$52,000 which he claimed was derived

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from savings and a loan of \$20,000 from an unknown source. RYAN is married. He was born in 1911 in the United States. He previously operated the Ridge Supper Club at 5860 West 111st Street, Chicago Ridge, for two years, La Siesta Motel in Brownsville, Texas, and the Homestead at 12125 Vincennes Avenue, Blue Island, Illinois. The club does a close business of \$175,000 per year and has ten employees.

Sergeant [] later advised that he had further determined that a group of persons known as "the black coats", used to hang out at the Ridge Supper Club and the Club Corsica at 79th and Western. These persons, who travelled in a group of two or three at a time, were supposed to be "hit men" for the outfit. It is noted that subject LA PORTE has been reported to frequent the Club Corsica. Sergeant [] stated he was not sure that his information came from a reliable source. In the event he obtains additional information he will immediately contact the Chicago FBI Office.

It was previously reported that "several" of BABE TUFFANELLI's repairmen are now working for the ABC Vending Company in Los Angeles. THOMAS LUCHESE is reportedly a part owner of this New York base corporation.

By communication dated January 9, 1964, the Los Angeles Office advised that SAC WILLIAM G. SIMON during a recent conversation with WALTER O'MALLEY, owner of the Los Angeles Dodgers National Baseball League, learned that [] who had previously dealt with O'MALLEY over the parking lot concessions at "Chavey Ravine" (home field of the Los Angeles Dodgers), was again in contact with Mr. O'MALLEY and was attempting to utilize the services of the ABC Vending Corporation for the Stadium. [] is a Chicago and Los Angeles attorney who is reported to have close ties with Chicago hoodlums.

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Corporal [redacted] Illinois State Police, Chicago, Illinois, advised that he is assigned to the Special Arson and Bombing Investigation Unit. He advised that his group investigations of bombings and fires are believed to be connected with crime syndicate operations. He stated that the Ideal Coin Machine Distributors, 8450 South Cicero Avenue, on December 7, 1963, at 5:10 A.M. was bombed by unknown persons. This location is the office and residence of [redacted] who owns and operates the above company.

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Corporal [redacted] stated that his investigation to date indicates that the bombing was done by [redacted] who is connected with the J & K Vending Company of Oaklawn, Illinois. He suspects the reason for the bombing is the fact that [redacted] is attempting to obtain "stops" in [redacted] territory as well as the territory of the Regal Vending Company which is operated by close associates of the subject. He advised that he has insufficient evidence to prove any of his allegations.

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ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

Detective [redacted] Harvey, Illinois. Police Department, advised that Detective [redacted] (phonetic) of the Harvey, Illinois Police Department has an uncle who is the owner of Flea's Tavern in Calumet Park, Illinois. Many years ago this individual ran a small local bookmaking operation for the benefit of his regular customers. The "outfit" heard of his operation. Shortly thereafter, FRANK LA PORTE's boys visited the uncle and told him that he had a new partner. They would run the operation and pay him a flat fee for the use of the tavern. The uncle was to take all arrests and police harassment; however, the outfit would pay any bonds and fines. The uncle advised that he would go out of business before he would join them. He was told he could not go out of business and the uncle has been running a syndicate book ever since.

It is noted that Flea's Tavern has been raided approximately three times within the past year by Cook County Sheriff's Police. On two occasions the Chief of Police attempted to prevent the raid and Sheriff's Police state that at the first opportunity they will arrest the Chief of Police for obstruction of justice.

CG T-8 advised that [redacted] who are close associates of FRANK LA PORTE, got together with [redacted] who recently moved to Warren, Ohio, and formed some type of cylinder manufacturing business in Harvey. CG T-8 stated that [redacted] is a legitimate businessman who was previously a mechanical engineer. He is presently working as a \$30,000 a year executive with some company in Warren, Ohio. He supposedly started this job in Warren, Ohio, on February 2, 1964.

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Informant advised that [] was cheated out of considerable money by the other two individuals and that he is extremely unhappy with [] Informant is unable to furnish an address for []

CG T-8 further advised that on February 2, 1964, the Mayor of Harvey, Illinois, is "putting the heat" on books. Informant advised that most of the books belong to [] Informant stated that Chief MATT ROMER is upset about the heat and does not seem to go along with new plans offered by his policemen to close [] operations. Several years ago the informant knows that [] was paying off to city officials; however, he does not have any positive information that Chief ROMER is being paid off. ROMER has always kept the syndicate out of Harvey; however, approximately two years ago [] was severely beaten by unknown persons. The beating took place in [] garage. It is the informant's opinion that the syndicate has taken over the gambling which was formerly an independent operation of [] He advised that since that time [] a known gambler, and [] an associate of FRANK LA PORTE, have both opened businesses in Harvey, Illinois.

Chief MATT ROMER, Harvey, Illinois, Police Department, advised on January 15, 1964, that it is his opinion that the syndicate is attempting to move into Harvey, Illinois. He stated that [] a well-known associate of FRANK LA PORTE from Chicago Heights, Illinois, had opened a used car lot in Harvey, Illinois, and a used furniture business. It is the opinion that considerable stolen property is being sold through the furniture department.

It was previously determined that a truck belonging to the Little Rock Furniture Manufacturing Company, Little Rock, Arkansas, was observed loading appliances and other furniture from [] store.

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By communication dated December 23, 1963, the Little Rock Office advised that they could locate no derogatory information concerning the Little Rock Furniture Manufacturing Company, 1498 East 2nd Street, Little Rock, Arkansas.

[redacted] Salesmanager, Little Rock Furniture Manufacturing Company. Little Rock, confidentially advised SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] on December 19, 1963, that he could find no record of doing business with Tocco's Store, 157 and Halstead, Harvey, Illinois. In a check of accounts in the Chicago area which are limited it was determined that this concern has been doing business with the Harvey New and Used Furniture Company, 15647 South Halstead, Harvey, Illinois, which changed its name from E. H. New and Used Furniture effective September 1, 1963.

[redacted] advised that company records reflect an invoice of October 24, 1963, which order had been delivered to Little Rock driver on October 30, 1963, and another invoice December 10, 1963, being the most recent business. A total of between \$3,000 and \$4,000 in business has been done with the company and payments on account have been good. [redacted]

[redacted] stated that their firm has not pushed business in the Chicago area because of the distance from Little Rock and the fact that there are so many furniture outlets in the Chicago area. He knew nothing of the above concerning Harvey and further stated that all of his truck drivers are from Little Rock and that they have experienced no trouble such as thefts with any of them.

Deputy Chief JAMES T. MC GUIRE, Cook County Sheriff's Office, advised on January 24, 1964, that he had received information from the Northwest Indiana Crime Commission that there is a Lake County, Indiana Deputy Sheriff called [redacted] who is providing information to the Ridge Road "B" girl taverns operated by FRANK LA PORTE's group regarding the activities of the Cook County Sheriff's Department.

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MC GUIRE advised that he obtained the additional information from the same source that the crime syndicate boss in Lake County, Indiana, is now [redacted] a nephew of [redacted] GUS RUBINO has opened a bail bond company at 128 East 13th Avenue, Gary, Indiana. RUBINO is assisted by retired Gary policeman [redacted] RUBINO formerly operated a bonding company in East Chicago, Indiana.

It is noted that the eleven year old son of GUS RUBINO died on February 1, 1964. Observation of the Mass and funeral services reflect several well-known hoodlums were in attendance. The identities are presently being determined.

Chief ROBERT OVERSTOLTZ, South Chicago Heights, Illinois, Police Department, advised that the following spots are books operated by FRANK LA PORTE:

Union Auto Body Shop
Steger, Illinois

Fazzinies Tavern
3400 Block Chicago Road
Steger, Illinois

Schremettes Liquors
34th and Chicago Road
Steger, Illinois

Brownie's Liquor Store
2600 South Chicago Road
Steger, Illinois

The operations are actually managed by CHARLES KIRGIS who has been LA PORTE's "man" for many years in this area. He was unable to advise the nature of the operation or how they conduct their betting. One of the runners

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is [redacted] who is presently driving a 1963 Red Chrysler New Yorker. He recently had a short wave radio antenna put on his car at 2700 Chicago Road, South Chicago Heights, Illinois. It is noted that SAM and RICHARD GUZZINO both have similar types of antennae on their cars and homes. RICHARD GUZZINO is known to own at least one thoroughbred racing horse and has been suspected of on-track bookmaking by authorities at Washington Park Race Track in Homewood, Illinois.

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By letter dated January 14, 1964, [redacted] Atlanta, Georgia, addressed a letter to the Director, FBI, in which he furnished the following information:

He advised that his wife [redacted] is living with a safecracker named [redacted] who hangs around the Club Palace, which has a gambling room in the back. A hoodlum by the name of [redacted] owns the club. According to [redacted] it is tied in with the Oaks Motel, the Five O'Clock Club, the Cherry Lane Motel, the Key Club and the Ball of Fire. All are hoodlum run. All the places are clip joints and stolen property is handled.

It should be noted that [redacted] was interviewed while she was employed as a "bar maid" at the Five O'Clock Club and she denied all knowledge of hoodlum activity.

[redacted] Calumet City, Illinois, advised on January 28, 1964, that he has been the owner of a "strip joint" in the area for over 20 years. He has owned "joints" on the Glenwood-Thornton Road and State Street in Calumet City. He is presently in the process of filing bankruptcy because of the police crackdown in Calumet City during recent years.

When he first started in business there were several "spots" that handled only "big-time" entertainment and gave the customers what they paid for. This era was prior to World War II and the entire "strip", composed of 20 night clubs, was controlled by JIM EMERY. EMERY ran the town and there was never any trouble. Every "joint" had slot machines and gambling but there was no prostitution. There was never any trouble from police, politicians or the public. After World War II business began to slack off and most clubs had to drop their big-name entertainment. The clubs began to substitute prostitution when many of the people who EMERY had previously barred from operating in the town began returning. These were people who were interested only in making a quick fortune with no regard for the future. As a result of "muscle", customer complaints and wholesale prostitution, the street was subjected to a reform movement and subsequent closing of the strip.

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JOHN PERRY was also a "big-name" on the strip and after EMERY's death, FRANK LA PORTE took control. LA PORTE organized his own "muscle" and allowed the prostitutes to operate. AL ROSSETTI handled most of the "rough stuff" while TONY FRANZE made collections from bar owners in order to pay off local police and politicians. Calumet City authorities were easy to handle but each time a new sheriff was elected, the strip would suffer numerous raids until LA PORTE and the sheriff could get together on the amount of money to be paid to the Sheriff's Office. [] specifically recalled that during Sheriff ALTMAN's (Phonetic) term, he called all club owners and operators to meet at the Homewood, Illinois theatre. He mounted the stage and laid down the rules of operations, which were as follows:

Every police officer out of uniform but with proper credentials would be allowed to drink in any tavern without cost and each club would have to pay \$50 a week to operate without interference from raids. [] advised that he attended the meeting but never paid any money to the Sheriff's Office because no one ever came around to collect. He advised further that the outfit never "moved in" on any of his places because he always operated according to the rules laid down by whoever was running the street and was always careful to avoid trouble with the law. By operating this way he was never able to amass a fortune like some of the other operators.

He advised that all former operators on the strip are hurting financially. He recently talked with TONY FRANZE who stated that he was broke and had to go to work as a beer salesman. He is trying to sell his house because he cannot afford to pay the high taxes and cost of operations. FRANZE indicated that LA PORTE is also having financial problems because most of his gambling operations are closed and he has made some bad investments.

CG T-2 advised that young SAM DE GIOVANNI, who is the son of the old CAPONE bootlegger NICK DE GIOVANNI, recently married DOREEN MASSITTI. SAM is an accountant with the ARTHUR ANDERSON firm and is now in Milan, Italy, on some special assignment. He is expected to remain there for five or six months.

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The New York Office advised that a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the source was instructed by [redacted] Scarsdale, New York, to go to a public telephone booth in the vicinity of 58th Street and 5th Avenue, New York City, and receive a message from him at 11:30 a.m. Source advised that he complied with [redacted] instructions and received a call from an individual who identified himself as FRANK LA PORTE from Chicago. LA PORTE said that he wanted to meet with [redacted]. Source advised that LA PORTE did not advise him as to the time, place, or reason for the meet. Source stated that [redacted] only told him afterwards that LA PORTE was a "big Chicago racketeer", who has interests in Las Vegas.

CG T-9 advised that [redacted] recently told informant that she is a close friend of JENNY GUADAGNOLA, sister of FRANK LA PORTE. The GUADAGNOLAs reside in a large home owned by FRANK LA PORTE in Linden, California. GUADAGNOLA is a farmer. Mrs. GUADAGNOLA is poorly educated but very devoted to her three children [redacted]. About 1956 LA PORTE came to stay at the GUADAGNOLA residence and brought with him two armed bodyguards. Mrs. GUADAGNOLA never discussed her brother's background except for one "slip" when she stated that LA PORTE always came to Linden whenever things got hot in Chicago. According to the informant LA PORTE owns a cabin high in the Sierras near the California-Nevada line. It has been described as a hide-out. When he comes from Chicago, he always goes there first and then comes down to Linden when "things quiet down". Informant advised that [redacted]

[redacted] Stockton, California, is a student at Stockton City College. He formerly dated [redacted] (LNU), a niece of LA PORTE. He travelled to a cabin near Lake Tahoe owned by GUADAGNOLA. Through [redacted] he also learned the exact location of the cabin used by LA PORTE as a hide-out. The informant does not know the exact location.

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[] subsequently married and LA PORTE set her husband up in business with a liquor store. According to the informant, LA PORTE has built lavish homes for each of his five sisters in various parts of the country and makes a practice of setting his nephews and nieces' husbands up in business.

According to the informant on November 30, 1963, LA PORTE was at the GUADAGNOLA residence with a bodyguard who was wearing a shoulder holster. Informant advised that usually two men accompany LA PORTE whenever he is in Linden and they always carry guns. According to the informant, Mrs. GUADAGNOLA told him that LA PORTE keeps a rifle and two revolvers in his bedroom at all times.



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**Chicago, Illinois
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Title FRANK LA PORTE

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

**Reference Report of Special Agent Thomas
 W. Parrish dated and captioned
 as above.**

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.



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FRANK LA PORTE,
Also Known As
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Thomas W. Parrish dated and captioned as above.

CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is an individual who is acquainted with Frank La Porte.

CG T-2 is an individual who has some knowledge of organized gambling in southern Cook County.

CG T-3 is an investigator for another government agency.

CG T-4 is an investigator for the state of Illinois.

CG T-5 is an individual who has considerable knowledge of organized crime in southern Cook County.

CG T-6 is an individual who is familiar with criminal activities in Chicago.

CG T-7 is an individual who is connected with organized crime in a limited extent.

CG T-8 is a police officer who requested his identity be concealed.

CG T-9 is an individual who conducts farming operations in Northern California.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 3/4/64

FROM : *JW* SAC, CHICAGO (92-350 SUB 12)

"JUNE"

SUBJECT: *C* FRANK LA PORTE, aka.
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The survey of Cooperative Music Company, 1728 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, with respect to misur coverage is still being conducted and has not been completed at this time. Investigation concerning this matter has determined a Negro porter has been observed entering and leaving this building and is believed to be in possession of keys. Efforts are being made at this time to obtain keys to this building. The Bureau will be advised upon the completion of this survey and recommendations as to possible installation.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: May 12, 1964

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-350 Sub 12)

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SUBJECT: FRANK LA PORTE, aka.
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The survey of the Co-operative Music Company is presently being conducted. Several factors involving proper security must be eliminated before completion of the survey.

It is requested that an additional 60 days be permitted for the completion of the survey. It is felt that with the coming vacation season several employees will be absent and complete security can be afforded to any installation.

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